The Weather
Today—Mostly cloudy and continued cold, with temperature below freezing. Yesterday—High, 32; low, 20.

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Mobs Storm Union Station As Yule Rush Reaches Peak

Many Ticket Sales Halted for Hours; Air and Bus Travel Equally as Jammed

By John F. Gerrity
Post Staff Writer

Jam-packed Union Station yesterday ushered in and out of Washington another tidal wave of holiday travelers, pushing the total for the week well over a million persons.

Thousands who jimmied their way through straining gates, to spill out on the station's concourses in an all-day, mad scramble for trains, were leftovers stranded here Friday.

Thousands more crowded station benches, curled around hard-cornered luggage, sleeping and waiting for trains that were late anwhere from a few minutes to six hours.

What a Scramble!

Endless lines queued up before every window in the paper-littered station and stayed there all day. Bewildered parents, loaded with suitcases, eel-like Christmas packages and squalling, tired children, pushed and fought their way from windows to train gates—and back again, this time to find the right place to go.

B. R. Tolson, manager of the Washington Terminal Co., which operates Union Station, said last night that between 350 and 400 trains left the station throughout the day carrying more than 200,000 passengers.

At 10 a. m. the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad ticket agents called a halt to ticket sales for westbound trains. Sale resumed shortly after 1 p. m. All lines running south from Washington stopped sales at 12:20 p. m. and did not open up again until after 6 p. m.

Hundreds struggled and strained through the milling crowds to trains only to have train doors slammed in their faces.

Early Warnings Disregarded

"Much of the trouble lies in the fact that many persons disregarded early warning of the Christmas rush; bought their tickets in advance and took their chances on getting the trains," Tolson said.

"The situation is made more difficult by the increasing shortage of cars—and with the thousands of soldiers who must be put aboard trains, there will be plenty whose Christmas travel will get them no farther than here," he added.

Matters were much the same at the National Airport and the city's bus terminals.

TWA, PCA and United Airlines reported an uninterrupted "bank" of "go-shows"—hopefuls waiting for cancellations—that ranged from 50 to 100 all day. And the "no-shows"—those who might cancel reservations—were as scarce as Pullman accommodations across the river at Union Station.

Try to "Borrow" Planes

In an effort to ease the pressure, local TWA officials spent much of last night trying to "borrow" planes from their Western divisions, but reports from those areas indicated little likelihood of additional planes before Christmas.

While only two Greyhound bus systems, the Richmond Greyhound and the Capitol Greyhound, were using the terminal at 11th and New York ave. nw., the station bulged with a log-jam of travelers, trying to get South or to points as far west as St. Louis.

Everybody at Union Station did a land-office business. Taxicab starters estimated that taxis arrived and left the station at the

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Christmas at Home Is Worth It

STANDING ROOM TAKEN—Servicemen and women, civilian workers, some holding babies, some smiling and others almost in tears, inch their way toward one of the gates at Union Station and the train for home

Travel Jam Expected To Run Through 1946

By the United Press

Record-breaking burdens on rail transportation are likely to continue throughout 1946, Col. J. Monroe Johnson said last night.

The chief of the Office of Defense Transportation said the strain is going to get worse before it gets better.

Troop arrivals on the West Coast are far exceeding schedules, he said. In addition, almost 10,000 members of the armed forces are being discharged on the West Coast, adding to the daily travel load eastward. Grain shipments have been increased by 100,000,000 bushels and refrigerator car shipments are going up by more than 20 per cent.

Quake Damages Portuguese Town

Lisbon, Dec. 22 (U.P.).—An earthquake caused heavy damage to the town of Ilhao in southern Portugal on Thursday, it was revealed today when communications were restored after a storm which swept Lisbon. Hundreds of persons were made homeless.

Snowstorm Bypasses D. C.; Continued Cold

Freezing Temperatures Here for Christmas, Weatherman Says

The weekend snowstorm, slated to freshen the Washington landscape for Christmas, swung northward at the last minute, the United States Weather Bureau said last night.

Predicting "continued cold and mostly cloudy" for today and tomorrow, the forecaster said there might be a "very light snow flurry" over the weekend. With little prospect of a bright, melting sun for the next 48 hours, the weatherman remains on record that it will be a white Christmas for Washington.

Today's temperatures will run between 21 and 29.

Yesterday—the first day of winter and the shortest day of the year—was the fifth consecutive day here in which the mercury has stayed below the freezing mark. Low reading of 23 was recorded at 6 a. m.; high at 2 p. m. was 29. The Weather Bureau said sunrise yesterday was at 7:24 a. m. with sunset at 4:49 p. m. The sun was at winter solstice at 12:04 a. m.

The new snowfall scheduled to hit Washington last night moved north with the highest precipitation of 2 inches reported in Pennsylvania and southern New York State. Snow fell as far South as Baltimore, the Weather Bureau said.

In the Midwest gradual moderation today of the latest cold wave which sent temperatures to 29 below zero in North Dakota was forecast by the Chicago Weather Bureau.

Meanwhile, a Pacific coast storm producing gales, with storm warnings hoisted, and heavy rains in southern California was expected to move eastward bringing more snow, probably just before Christmas, in Northern sectors and a snow-sleet-rain mixture to the South.

President Late To Bank—Gets In

Have you ever arrived at the bank just a few minutes after closing time?

Well, that's what happened to President Truman yesterday. Only he got in. The doorman recognized the President and the tellers were happy to take care of his pre-Christmas business.

92,000 More Auto Workers Are Laid Off

Ford, Packard Blame Shortages of Parts From Struck Firms

Detroit, Dec. 22 (U.P.).—Automobile manufacturers laid off an additional 92,000 workers in Detroit today, while union and company officials involved in the automotive industry's labor disputes marked time during the uneasy Christmas holidays.

To the 175,000 strike-idle workers of the General Motors Corp. were added 80,000 employes at the Highland Park, River Rouge and Lincoln plants of the Ford Motor Co. and 10,000 workers in Packard plants.

The 92,000 workers were laid off because of parts shortages from strikebound suppliers. However, a Ford spokesman said that the workers at the River Rouge and Highland Park plants would be recalled after Christmas.

Conference Wednesday

Top officials of the United Automobile Workers Union (CIO) and General Motors will meet Wednesday in a conference that has taken on new importance.

President Truman's fact-finding board at Washington recessed yesterday and told both sides to try again to achieve a settlement of the 32-day system-wide walkout over the CIO auto workers' 30 per cent pay boost demands. The alternative would be full hearings by the board, now empowered by the Administration to inquire into a company's ability to pay in wage disputes.

The panel gave the union and GM until Friday to avoid panel intervention through further collective bargaining.

The company-union meeting, announced after a conference in Washington between H. W. Anderson, GM vice president, and Walter P. Reuther, UAW vice president and GM strike chief, was scheduled to discuss methods of handling local plant issues.

Both Oppose Intervention

With both sides opposed to Government intervention, the stage was set for a quick expansion of the Detroit meeting into a full-dress collective bargaining session.

The corporation, meanwhile, pushed its fight to clear the way into its blockaded plants for its

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1946 Relief Schedule Mapped

UNRRA Plans Quarter-Billion For Aid of Two Soviet States

By Christine Sadler
Post Staff Writer

The United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration will send supplies costing 250 million dollars to two Soviet republics during 1946 and carry on a limited emergency relief program costing $2,500,000 in northern Finland, according to tentative schedules announced yesterday by Director General Herbert H. Lehman.

Schedules are based on prospects that the international agency will receive the full amount of the new $1,350,000,000 authorized by the United States Congress. Of this amount, 750 million dollars has now been appropriated.

"Vital Action" Hailed

Lehman termed recent appropriations by this country "the most vital actions in UNRRA's history" and expressed hope that no more "misunderstandings and delays" would jeopardize the international relief program for war-stricken countries which are now undergoing their most crucial winter.

Meanwhile, the National Planning Association recommended an additional gift by the United States of one billion dollars to raise diets above starvation levels in countries not receiving UNRRA aid.

The association explained that UNRRA would not supply food to France, Great Britain, Belgium, Denmark, Holland, Norway and the former enemy countries of Germany, Hungary, Romania and Bulgaria.

UNRRA's total program will meet only the barest needs of countries in which it operates, Lehman said, and by no means alleviate all the distress caused by the war. The situation in Europe during the winter is much worse than anticipated, he said, due in large part to extensive crop failures. Both Poland and Yugoslavia are countries which had expected larger harvests, it was pointed out, and the lack of a good harvest in Italy has complicated the problem there.

Wheat Shipments Retarded

Wheat shipments, on which most of the UNRRA countries in Europe are dependent for enough bread, are slowed down by transportation problems inside the United States and Canada and also by the lack of internal distribution facilities abroad.

The two Soviet republics—Byelorussia and Ukraine—experienced war destruction on a "scale never before known in history," the director general declared.

Not only were they battlefields on two occasions, but "the enemy took virtually all agricultural machinery away. Livestock herds were terribly depleted. All movable stocks of feed and even of seeds were removed. Millions were left homeless. City after city was totally destroyed and countless cities and villages were heavily damaged."

"More than 25 million are without shelter save such as they can get in caves and dugouts and ruined dwellings," Lehman said.

To Watch Distribution

The same procedure followed in other countries will be followed by UNRRA in the Soviet. Missions of the relief agency will be on hand to observe operations and to see that UNRRA distribution rules are followed.

The $2,500,000 to be spent for Finland will provide only meager assistance and go mostly for medical supplies. Food and clothing are now desperately needed in Finland, Lehman said, and "for some time reports from this region of bitter winters have caused grave concern."

Other 1946 plans of UNRRA in

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'Wanted to Destroy . . .'

Ex-Marine Admits Starting $100,000 Dime Store Fire

The District fire marshal said yesterday that Francis H. Reese, 18, a former Marine, of 712 6th st. se., has confessed setting off a four-alarm fire here Friday which resulted in $100,000 damage.

The fire destroyed the second and third floors of the Stanley Five & Ten Store, at 905 8th st. se., where Reese was working as a stock boy.

The youth pleaded not guilty to a charge of arson at a brief arraignment yesterday before U. S. Commissioner Needham C. Turnage. The hearing was continued until January 7 to allow Reese time to obtain counsel.

$3000 Bond Set

Commissioner Turnage set bond at $3000 and recommended that the youth be placed under mental observation. The recommendation was referred to the superintendent of the District Jail when Reese failed to make bail.

Fire Marshal Raymond C. Roberts said authorities became suspicious of Reese after it was noted that he was in the store when fires started twice within 48 hours.

The Stanley Store was the scene of a minor blaze Wednesday. In that fire and in the more serious blaze Friday, Reese complained that he had been overcome by smoke. In both fires, he was the only smoke victim.

'Wanted to Destroy'

After being treated at Casualty Hospital Friday, Reese was taken to the Fifth Precinct for questioning. After about six hours, Roberts said, Reese admitted he had started the blaze because he had had "trouble" with his girl and "wanted to destroy something."

"He told us," Roberts continued, "that he took a book of matches from his pocket while on the third floor, struck one and dropped it near some cardboard cartons which contained paper towels and sanitary napkins.

"He said he then went to the second floor, waited about five minutes and then returned to the third floor to find the fire still burning, but very slowly. Then, according to his story, he kicked the burning material around so the fire would spread better, after which he returned to the second floor.

"When he heard the crackle of fire overhead he ran to the ground floor and shouted an alarm of fire."

Roberts said Reese had denied any responsibility for the fire at the store Wednesday.

He said also that the youth was

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Carols and Prayers

Throng to See Truman Light Tree, Send World Greetings

The strains of "Silent Night" will rise over the snow-covered White House grounds Christmas Eve in the first national community Yuletide observance since 1941.

From the south lawn, President Harry S. Truman will light the living tree at 5 p. m., and then send his—and the Nation's—holiday greetings to the world. The program will be broadcast and short-waved overseas.

Hundreds of persons, brimming with cheer and thankfulness that four lean years of war have pent up, will crowd the south lawn and fringe the grounds, officials anticipated yesterday.

The public will be admitted to the grounds by the southeast gate beginning at 3:30 p. m. No one carrying packages, umbrellas or cameras will be permitted within the grounds.

The United States Marine Band, directed by Capt. William F. Santelmann, will open the program at 4:30 p. m. Singing of the carol, "O Come, All Ye Faithful," will precede the arrival of President Truman and his family. The Right Rev. Msgr. Thomas G. Smyth, pastor of the Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament will pronounce the invocation.

Special guests of the President and the National Committee will be groups of disabled veterans

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Million Asked In Children's Hospital Drive

Fire-Trap Building To Be Replaced By New Structure

Washington yesterday was given the chance to be the greatest Santa Claus in the world.

The Christmas gift will be a million dollar building for Children's Hospital where needy Washington children can receive the best possible medical care.

Everybody in town will be asked to contribute to a building drive, officially scheduled to start in April, but unofficially during the holidays. Charles D. Drayton, president of the board of directors of Children's Hospital, announced yesterday that donations "would gladly be accepted now."

Replace Old Building

The one million dollar goal will be sufficient to tear down the 74-year-old block-long main building of the hospital, located on W st. between 12th and 13th sts. nw., and replace it with a modern, fireproof structure capable of providing 75 additional hospital beds.

This largest of the hospital buildings, condemned 20 years ago by the building department for housing patients, has long since been restricted to administrative offices, nurse quarters and supply rooms.

"The building is nothing but an old firetrap and we urge the residents to visit us and judge for themselves the problems we are up against," John J. Anderson, assistant superintendent of the hospital, said.

Preliminary plans, started two days ago by a New York firm, call for a five-story concrete and steel structure built on the old site and to adjoin the existing hospital wing in a T formation.

Besides increasing the hospital's capacity by 75 beds, the building will include a scientific diet kitchen where food for all the children is prepared, a formula laboratory, a main kitchen, administration offices and a greatly enlarged research laboratory.

"We have a wealth of material for research which every year is lost to medical science due our presently outmoded equipment and lack of space. It is a crime," Anderson declared.

"The decision to go before the community to ask all friends of Washington's sick children to provide funds for completing the

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Rival Leaders Greet Marshall In Chungking

Chinese-Russian Negotiations Seen Benefited by Arrival

Chungking, Dec. 22 (A.P.).—General Marshall, fresh from his first talks at Nanking with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek on peace for China, arrived today and was greeted by National and Communist leaders.

A dispatch from Nanking said the first conference last night was "extremely cordial" and lasted for two hours. The discussions will be resumed tomorrow when Chiang and Mme. Chiang fly in from Nanking.

Marshall was reported prepared to confer with Communist leaders in Chungking, but had no immediate plans to visit Yenan, Communist headquarters in North China.

Braves Perilous Weather

President Truman's special envoy braved perilous flying weather in hurrying here from the old Chinese capital. He was met by Premier T. V. Soong and also was greeted by Gen. Chou En-lai head of the Chinese Communist delegation to forthcoming peace parleys.

Although there were reports of new outbreaks in troubled North China and a new Communist charge of an imminent government offensive, Chou said he still was working for a halt to all hostilities.

Nanking dispatches said the first discussions between Marshall and Chiang on the unification of China took place after a dinner in Marshall's honor last night.

Beneficial Effects Seen

A Peiping dispatch said that Marshall's arrival appeared to have had a beneficial effect already on Chinese-Russian negotiations for the occupation of Manchuria.

One effect of Marshall's talk with Chiang was a brightened prospect for the use of United States ships to carry huge Chinese occupation forces to Manchurian ports.

The Communist New China Daily News here charged, however, that such American assistance would "enlarge the scale of the current civil war."

Possibly with the view of catching Marshall's attention, the Communists reiterated charges that the Central government was massing troops for large-scale invasion of

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Soviets Prefer N. Y. Area

Small Spot in New England Most Favored as UNO Site

London, Dec. 22 (A.P.).—Most delegates to the United Nations preparatory commission appeared tonight to favor some small New England community in the vicinity of Boston as the permanent home of the world peace agency.

The New York City area was considered a close second, but other areas still were in the running, and many delegates said they still had open minds.

The shrift to New England developed in informal discussions after the commission voted 20 to 5 to establish the permanent headquarters of the United Nations Organization in the Eastern United States, thus eliminating such bidders as Denver, San Francisco and the Black Hills area.

The British are understood to favor a small community in the Boston area. Others favored the area because of its distance from the District of Columbia, whose influence many delegates say they want to avoid.

However, the Russians are believed to favor a headquarters near New York, which they consider the most international of American cities.

Other places still being considered include Newport, R. I., and Hyde Park, N. Y., the home of the late President Roosevelt.

An interim committee of 12 mem-

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Body Lies in State

Luxembourg To Be Patton Resting Place

Heidelberg, Germany, Dec. 22 (A.P.). Past sorrowing lines of his comrades in arms, the body of Gen. George Smith Patton, jr., was borne tonight to ancient Villa Reiner, where the warrior will lie in state until funeral services tomorrow.

Patton, one of the most vivid figures in American military history, will be laid to rest Christmas Eve in a United States military cemetery at Hamm, Luxembourg, in soil hallowed by the blood of his fellow fighting men in the gallant United States Third Army.

The steel casket, draped with the banners of the United States Third Seventh and Fifteenth Armies, was placed in the oak-paneled drawing room of the villa. The spacious room was filled with fresh roses and carnations flown in from France.

The somber tones of an organ, played in an upstairs room by Sergt. Joseph Crosby of Corvallis, Oreg., broke the solemn silence.

Fifty military policemen, commanded by Lieut. William Higgenbotham of Fairmont, W. Va., stood guard in relays of 10. One of the guards was Pfc. Henry Koznbol of Chicago, who served under Patton in the Tenth Armored Division.

"I'm proud to serve with General Patton for the last time," Koznbol said.

As dusk descended over this old university city, a regulation Army ambulance bearing the body moved out of the yard of the 130th Station

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Iran Reports Reds Massing Southeast Of Tehran

New Revolt Foreseen In 2 Weeks; Premier Sees Minister of U. S., Tells of Concession

Tehran, Dec. 22 (A.P.).—A general staff officer of the Iranian government army asserted today that army intelligence reported the "presence of armed civilians and an unusual concentration of Russian tanks and troops at Garmsar," rail junction 75 miles southeast of Tehran.

The rail line runs north to Shahi and the Caspian seacoast in Mazanderan Province, where "an outbreak of insurgency" within two weeks was predicted yesterday by Seyid Zia, Iranian Parliament member. Mazanderan is east of Soviet-occupied Azerbaijan Province, in which insurgents have set up a national government of Iranian Azerbaijan.

The new Azerbaijan government, meanwhile, claiming autonomy within the Iranian state, has announced it is willing to cooperate with the central government, but that it would insist upon conducting its own provincial affairs with its own cabinet. The insurgent government was willing to leave only such affairs as would be handled by a foreign ministry to the central government in Tehran.

Occupied Since 1941

Azerbaijan Province has been occupied by Soviet troops since 1941, when Axis agents were reported active there, and the Russians later guarded the lend-lease lifeline. Earlier this week, a traveler from Tabriz, now designated as the insurgents' capital, quoted the Azerbaijan premier, Jafar Pishehvari, as saying openly that the insurgent movement was aided by Soviet forces.

The general staff officer said he was not yet advised concerning the fate of the government army garrison at Rezaich, believed surrounded by insurgents, but he said other garrisons in the province had fallen.

Premier Ibrahim Hakimi conferred today with United States Ambassador Wallace Murray. An embassy spokesman said Murray asked the Premier if he intended "to make further concessions to the Democratic partisans in Azerbaijan."

Agrees to Teaching of Turkish

Hakimi replied, the spokesman said, that one concession would be made. The insurgent government has demanded the right to teach the Turkish language in addition to Persian in the schools, and Hakimi said he has advised the partisans through the former governor general of the province that he was agreeable to the teaching of Turkish.

Allahyar Saleh, the newly appointed interior minister, was received officially by the Shah. His first act has been to order provincial governers to conduct elections for provincial councils. Heretofore the central government has not authorized such elections.

Saleh was appointed Thursday by Premier Hakimi. But the man he was to replace in the office, Khalil Fahimi, has refused to resign, and under the constitution cannot be deprived of his post un-

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Death of Patton Brings No Change In Drivers' Status

Heidelberg, Dec. 22 (U.P.).—Gen. George S. Patton's death has not changed the Army's decision not to prosecute either of the two military chauffeurs involved in the accident, Col. C. R. Bard, judge advocate for the United States Seventh Army, said tonight.

Bard said he had not received charge sheets for court-martial proceedings against either T/5 Robert L. Thompson of Camden, N. J., driver of the 2½-ton truck which collided with Patton's car on December 9, or Patton's chauffeur, Pfc. Horace L. Woodring of Spurgis, Ky.

Bard said orders to start proceedings would have reached him by this time if any such move were contemplated.

The official accident reports said that both drivers were guilty of carelessness, but that neither had been shown to have been negligent to a degree that would warrant prosecution.

18,000 British Troops To Help Occupy Japan

Hongkong, Dec. 22 (U.P.).—Admiral Sir Bruce Fraser announced today that 18,000 British Empire troops will be landed at Kura, Japan, to participate in the occupation. He described, also, that he is moving British Pacific fleet headquarters from Singapore to Hongkong.

The British troops will include one brigade of Australians, one Indian brigade and a wing of New Zealand fighter planes.

Tito Is Recognized By U. S. and Britain

By Edward T. Folliard
Post Staff Writer

The United States Government last night announced its recognition of the new government of Yugoslavia headed by Marshal Tito, which in November abolished the monarchy of King Peter.

Recognition was granted despite the expressed belief of the State Department that the Tito government has failed thus far to honor its guarantees of a free election, freedom from fear, liberty of conscience and freedom of speech and a free press.

Britain joined with the United States in recognizing the new government at Belgrade, which previously had been considered a provisional regime.

Possibility of Deal Suggested

The announcements by the State Department and the British Foreign Office came at a time when Secretary of State Byrnes and Foreign Secretary Bevin were meeting in Moscow with Foreign Commissar Molotov. Naturally, the question arose as to whether the two events were related and whether, possibly, the act of recognition was part of some larger "deal."

Two days before Secretary Byrnes took off for Moscow, the Yugoslav Ambassador in Washington, Stanoje Simic, notified him formally that the Yugoslav Constituent Assembly, on November 29, had proclaimed the establishment of the Federative People's Republic of Yugoslavia and had abolished the monarchy of 22-year-old King Peter Karadjordjevic.

Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson, in a reply dated yesterday, said that the United States recognized the new republic and assumed that it would continue to honor treaties and agreements between Yugoslavia and the United States.

Envoy Already in Belgrade

After receiving assurances in this respect, Acheson said, the United States would accredit Richard C. Patterson, jr., as its ambassador to the new government. Patterson already is in Belgrade, having been this country's envoy to the royal government of King Peter.

Acting Secretary Acheson recalled the Big Three agreement at Yalta with respect to Yugoslavia, and then went on to tell Patterson:

"The United States Government has consistently made known its attitude that the people of Yugoslavia are entitled to expect the effective implementation of the guarantees of personal freedom, freedom from fear, liberty of conscience, freedom of speech, liberty of the press and freedom of assembly and association contained in the agreement between Marshal Tito and Dr. Subasic underlying the Yalta Declaration, and to have an opportunity to express their will in a free and untrammled election.

"In view of conditions existing in Yugoslavia," Acheson continued, "it cannot be said that those guarantees of freedom have been honored nor that the elections conducted on November 11 provided opportunity for a free choice of the people's representatives.

Approval Not Implied

"In the circumstances, the United States Government desired that it be understood that the establishment of diplomatic relations with the present regime in Yugoslavia should not be interpreted as implying policies of the regime, its methods of assuming control or its failure to implement the guarantees of personal freedom promised its people.

"You should make it quite clear to the authorities and people of Yugoslavia that we entertain only the friendliest sentiments toward the peoples of the country and that it is our anticipation that the evolution of events will provide developments which will make possible those relations—both political and economic—between the peoples of Yugoslavia and the United States which we on our part most urgently desire to see."

The guarantees of freedom to which Acheson referred were contained in an agreement concluded last February by Marshal Tito and Dr. Ivan Subasic. This, it was supposed at the time, represented a coalition of King Peter's government in exile and Marshal Tito's Partisans, which had fought the Germans inside Yugoslavia and maintained close relations with Russia.

Two Nations Still Unrecognized

Subasic became Foreign Minister under Tito, but resigned from the government prior to the election on November 11. The official reason was "ill health."

Recognition of Yugoslavia leaves two Balkan countries still without diplomatic relations with the United States—Rumania and Bulgaria. This country has steadfastly refused to recognize the Communist-dominated governments in those two countries on the ground that they are not representative and have not permitted free and untrammeled elections. This has been one of the chif difficultis in American-Russian relations and has led Molotov to complain that the United States does not want Russia to have "friendly" neighbors.

Santa Visits Gallinger Hospital

Post Staff Photo

CHRISTMAS PARTY—The Rev. Vernon Stutzman, Gallinger Hospital chaplain, plays the role of Santa for children in the convalescent ward

PATTON

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Hospital, where Patton died late yesterday. A staff car and three military police jeeps flashing red lights escorted the machine.

Silent American soldiers stood stiffly at attention, their arms raised in salute, as the procession wound through the twisting cobblestone streets. Stolid Germans watched unemotionally.

The Third and Seventh Armies, both of which Patton had commanded with brilliant military success, will share responsibilty for the services. Third Army soldiers will officiate at the final services at the grave Monday on a historic battleground where just a year ago Patton helped cut short the last major bid of the German army—the bitter Battle of the Bulge.

Messages of tribute and sorrow poured in from all parts of the world. In the European theater, American soldiers lowered all flags to half-staff, and closed all soldier clubs and installations in mourning.

Patton's comrades will conduct Episcopalian services at 3 p. m. (9 a. m., EST) tomorrow in ancient Christ Church of Heidelberg.

Mrs. Patton, who flew to her husband's bedside after the automobile accident which paralyzed him, will attend the services with her brother, Frederick Ayer of Boston, Mass., who flew here several days ago. It was Mrs. Patton's wish that her husband be buried in the soil he did so much to liberate.

High military and civilian dignitaries of Allied countries will attend the funeral.

Is Headquarters of Seventh

Villa Reiner, where Patton's body will lie in state, is headquarters of the United States Seventh Army. Patton commanded the Seventh Army in its mighty 38-day sweep through Sicily, and took command of the Third Army in the invasion of Normandy and the massive tank drive across France and Germany. He was relieved of command of the Third Army several months ago, and took command of the United States Fifteenth Army.

An honor guard for the funeral was formed of 600 men who served under Patton in combat. The troops were chosen from the Fourth Armored Division, which spearheaded many of Patton's spectacular smashes across Europe, and from the First and Ninth Infantry Divisions, which fought under him in Africa and Sicily.

The theater chaplain will conduct the funeral service tomorrow.

There will be 12 honorary pallbearers: Lieut. Gen. John C. H. Lee, deputy commander of U. S. forces in the European theater; Lieut. Gen. J. K. Cannon, commander of U. S. Forces in Europe; Lieut. Gen. Lucian K. Truscott, jr., present Third Army commander, who succeeded Patton; Maj. Gen. Everett Hughes, the theater's inspector general; Maj. Gen. A. W. Kenner, surgeon general, who attended Patton after the accident; Maj. Gen. Robert McG. Littlejohn, theater chief quartermaster; Maj. Gen. Raven C. Allen, Brig. Gen. [illegible] Miller, director of the [illegible] Government in Bavaria; Brig. Gen. Ray T. Maddix, acting chief of staff, U. S. Third Army; Brig. Gen. John M. Willems, Col. Thomas H. Nixon, theater ordnance officer, and Col. Paul D. Harkins, who was Patton's chief of staff throughout the war.

Special Train Provided

A troop of 15 cavalrymen who battled across a continent with the commander will escort the body to the Heidelberg railway station, where it will be placed aboard the special train of Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, U. S. commander in the European theater. McNarney himself will board a second special train for Luxembourg.

The train was expected to arrive at Hamm at 7 a. m., where the Third Army will receive the body before services at the American Military Cemetery.

After the services at the grave, Mrs. Patton and her brother will leave on a special train for Paris, where she will board a plane for the United States.

Just before Christmas a year ago Patton launched his smash into the German left flank in Luxembourg during the bitter Battle of the Bulge. His invincible Third Army swept to Bastogne in Belgium, rescued Americans trapped at that vital road hub, and broke the back of the desperate German winter counteroffensive.

It was understood that Mrs. Patton and the United States War Department had considered both Metz and Luxembourg as Patton's final resting place. Patton's mechanized legions also liberated Metz, the French city never before taken by storm.

Mourned by Troops

Aboard USS Washington, Dec. 22 (AP).—Homeward-bound troops aboard this storm-tossed battleship were saddened today by news of the death of Gen. George S. Patton, jr.

Capt. F. X. McInerney, commander of the Washington, recalled that Patton had arranged to return to the United States aboard this battlewagon before he was fatally hurt in an automobile accident.

Many of the 1500 troops aboard had fought with the general through France and Germany.

Community Fund Still Receiving Christmas Gifts

Contributions sent as Christmas gifts are still being received by the Community War Fund, James A. Shipp, campaign coordinator, announced yesterday.

Among such gifts was one for $2 from a woman in very modest circumstances who has lost several relatives in the war. "That meant a lot to her and she showed the true spirit of Christmas in giving it to local welfare," Shipp said.

There is still time for you to send your check for a Christmas gift to the orphans, the aged and the lower economic group of the community to Community War Fund headquarters, 1101 M st. nw.

The fund still needs $450,000 to keep chest agencies at their 1945 level.

Child Clinic At Arlington Gets Apparatus

Installation of apparatus in the crippled children's clinic of the Arlington health department was the high point in Arlington's health program for November, Dr. Ralph Beachley reported yesterday.

Dr. Beachley, in his monthly report, stated that the infantile paralysis foundation had purchased an infra-red lamp, a whirlpool and an iron lung for use in the clinic, and that the foundation "has equipped the clinic with the latest appliances."

Arlington's health officer also reported that the largest number of nursing hours for any month in 1945 was recorded during November, with a total of 978. He explained the high figure was due to the fact that the department has at present only two vacancies on its nursing staff, lowest number for the year.

During November, the Arlington health department clinic had 289 new cases admitted for diagnosis, of which 97 were venereal disease, 168 tuberculosis, 15 orthopedic and nine maternity cases. Seventy-eight new cases were admitted for treatment during the month.

A total of 70 cases of communicable disease were reported in Arlington during November, Dr. Beachley said. Heading the list was 27 cases of scarlet fever. Second highest was 14 cases of pulmonary tuberculosis.

Carrier Boys Held Paper's Employes, Not Contractors

The U. S. Employes Compensation Commission yesterday held that newspaper carrier boys of the Evening Star Newspaper Co., are employes—not independent contractors.

The ruling was contained in a decision which awarded a former carrier boy $96 compensation for personal injuries suffered when he was thrown from his bicycle while working for the newspaper in August, 1943.

The boy was 15-year-old Alfred Malask, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Malask, 718 Somerset pl. nw., who suffered a broken arm in the accident. The newspaper contended the carrier boy was an independent contractor and not its employe; therefore was not eligible to collect under the Workmen's Compensation Act.

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being questioned about several other fires, one of them a $15,000 blaze which occurred here last July.

Police said Reese served one month in the Marine Corps in basic training at Parris Island, S. C., after which his mother obtained his discharge because he was under age.

The Stanley Store is owned by Abe Lavine of 2002 C st. ne., and managed by his son, Stanley. The son said the loss was covered by insurance.

Fire Guts British Missions Staff Club

In a fire at about 2:30 a. m. yesterday, flames gutted the British Missions Staff Club, located in a reconverted garage at the rear of 1815 Q st. nw. Lieut. A. M. Grunwell of Engine Company No. 9 was burned on the neck by falling embers. He was treated at Emergency Hospital and released.

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bers is charged with choosing a list of possible sites for a final choice by the General Assembly which meets January 10. The committee was expected to report during the early sessions of the Assembly.

The committee must decide who will visit the United States to tour the sites suggested, when the trip will be made and what areas will be visited.

The vote in the preparatory commission to establish the headquarters in the East was forced by Britain and the Ukrainian Republic, supported by Cechzoslovakia and Norway. A motion to choose the West previously had lost by 22 to 6, with 12 abstentions. It had been suggested that the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers be the dividing line between East and West. St. Louis was not definitely ruled out since it is on the border line.

VE-Day Scroll Given Employes Of White House

By the Associated Press

Several hundred employes of the White House received from President Truman Friday and yesterday an autographed illuminated scroll of the President VE-Day proclamation of May 8, 1945.

Cabinet members and those on the President's immediate staff received the additional compliment of a personal expression of good wishes inscribed in Mr. Truman's own hand in one corner of the scroll.

The employes include those in the reconversion office of John W. Snyder and the domestic employes in the living quarters, as well as the office staff and police guard.

The nearly 600 employes also received a Christmas card from the President and First Lady in an envelope on the back of which was the new gold presidential seal of 48 stars.

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less he does so. Thus Iran, technically, has two interior ministers. Parliament met today on budget matters, but took no action on the interior ministry tangle.

Turk General Warns Russia

Ankara, Dec. 20 (Delayed) (U.P.).—Russia will suffer losses "fearful to an immeasurable degree" if the Red Army and Turkish Army clash over Soviet territorial claims against Turkey, Gen. Kazin Karabekir said today in the National Assembly.

The general who commanded troops which occupied the Turkish Armenian territory now claimed by Russia said that in event of a clash the Turkish nation will sacrifice blood and suffer great losses.

(The Ankara correspondent of the London Times quoted Karabekir as stating that Turkey would have no alternative but to fight if Russia persisted in her territorial demands. The delay in release of the general's remarks was unexplained.)

28 Army Planes Sold Abroad for $300,000

Paris, Dec. 22 (AP).—The sale of five U. S. Army transport planes to Irish and Swedish airlines and of 23 trainer planes to the Norwegian government for a total of almost $300,000 was announced today by the office of the foreign liquidation commissioner.

The Irish airlines purchased three C-47 transports for $25,000 each. Swedish Aerotransport bought a C-47 for $25,000 and a C-53 for $60,000. The advanced trainers went for $138,000. In addition the Netherlands government has leased 14 C-54 transports for 18 months at $15,000 each per year.

Truman Acts To Fill Quotas With Refugees

President Truman yesterday directed the entry into the United States—within established immigration quotas—of European war refugees at the rate of about 39,000 a year.

Most of them will come from central and eastern Europe and the Balkans, where approximately two million persons are said to be homeless.

"This is the opportunity for America to set an example for the rest of the world in cooperation toward alleviating human misery," the President said in a statement.

Along with the statement the White House made public a directive to six Federal agencies to put the plan into effect.

The President said the war had brought "an appalling dislocation of populations" and added that it was "common decency" to provide homes for thousands of these displaced persons. Several months ago he asked Britain to allow 100,000 homeless Jews to enter Palestine, but Britain refused to agree to the figure, and the two countries now have a joint commission studying the whole problem.

The President not only directed normal resumption of quota immigration to take care of displaced persons desiring to come to this country but spoke out vigorously against any legislation at this time which would either prohibit or severely reduce further immigration.

He called attention to measures now pending to restrict immigration and commented:

"This period of unspeakable human distress is not the time for us to close or to narrow our gates. I wish to emphasize, however, that any effort to bring relief to these displaced persons and refugees must and will be strictly within the limits of the present quotas as imposed by law."

Mrs. Annie. Mankin

Mrs. Annie Elizabeth Mankin, 71, of 117 South Columbus st., Alexandria, died yesterday morning at Sibley Memorial Hospital in Washington, where she had been a patient since November 5. She had undergone several operations for cancer.

Mrs. Mankin was a native of Washington and came to live in Alexandria with her family during her youth. She was married in 1902. She was an active member of the First Baptist Church in Alexandria.

Surviving are her husband, Albert S. Mankin, former secretary-treasurer of the Alexandria Iron Works, now employed by the Aitcheson Fuel Co., and one sister, Mrs. Mamie C. Rishiell of Alexandria.

Christmas Conversation

Photo by Kaye Lee Hinz

HE'S BEEN A GOOD BOY—Santa holds Charlie Bucklin on his knee and pays close attention to what the youngster has to say while Tom Higgins (left) and Martha Ann Goodall keep their eyes fixed on the old man with whiskers

Honor Medal Proposed for Gen. Patton

By the United Press

Representative John E. Rankin (D., Miss.), proposed last night that the Medal of Honor be awarded posthumously to Gen. George S. Patton, jr.

Rankin said he would introduce legislation proposing the award as soon as Congress reconvenes on January 14.

The proposal appeared likely to win strong congressional support.

Another posthumous honor for Patton has been recommended by Senator Alexander Wiley (R., Wis.). Wiley asked that the permanent three-star rank of lieutenant general be assigned the dead hero.

Meanwhile, the White House revealed that Patton believed to the last that he would recover.

President Truman had sent Patton a message telling him that the country was praying that he would get well. A short time before he died, Patton dispatched this reply:

"Deeply appreciate your thoughtful message and report that the country prays for my recovery. I have never failed it yet and will not now. May this season bring you all a happy Christmas."

CHILDREN

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modernization of the hospital comes after years of need and long planning," Mr. Drayton declared.

"A Christmas Eve visit to the hospital would find rows of children laying in beds in hallways waiting to be moved into wards to take the place of beds just vacated, five bassinets in space planned for two and scores of youngsters patiently waiting for clinic treatment."

These are only a few of the daily evidences, Mr. Drayton said, of the crying need for larger facilities which a new building would provide.

"On Christmas morning, each ward at Children's will be bright with a glittering Christmas tree, and each crib will have a fat stocking hnaging by its side. In this refuge for sick children, Christmas has always been the time when dreams come true.

"That is why this season has been selected to announce the Children's Hospital spring project for assuring the welfare of thousands of Washington's children," Drayton said.

Pointing to the heavy burden through the war years, the board member cited:

1. The great increase in population of the Metropolitan area.

2. The recent polio epidemic in which this hospital has cared for 90 per cent of all children's cases.

3. The countless emergencies which young servicemen's wives have lacked experience to handle.

Many Restored to Health

These are just a few of the challenges Children's Hospital—which grew from a small charity hospital of 12 beds 75 years ago—has successfully met.

The hospital points with pride to the fact that such a high per cent of the District's polio victims were restored to perfect health, that no seriously ill patient has ever been turned away and that no discharge has been made without the assurance that competent home care would be substituted.

The hospital's goal in its coming drive for funds is to solve the problems of overcrowding, to set up even better facilities for combating poliomyelitis and to expand its program for teaching and training doctors and nurses to care for sick children.

According to its charter, granted by Congress in 1870, Children's Hospital belongs to the people of Washington. It could not survive through these years without community support, as the great majority of children cared for are charity cases.

"I feel confident that this new appeal for help will receive the same generous response we always have enjoyed," Drayton concluded.

TREE

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from Walter Reed, Forest Glen and the Naval Hospital at Bethesda

Caroling will be by the Washington Choral Society, but the First Family will join with the throng in singing "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Parking for Official Cars

Brig. Gen. Gordon R. Young, engineer Commissioner of the District and chairman of the National Committee, in announcing final plans for the ceremony yesterday, said no automobiles will be admitted to the enclosure, but parking space will be reserved around the Ellipse of the White House for cars of guests displaying the official auto pass. Special guests should approach the White House grounds by E st., from 15th st., or 17th st., and pedestrians by State pl., or Treasury pl., he said.

Lighting of the tree, first started in 1923, is regarded as the signal for community tree lightings over the Nation. The program here is sponsored by the District Recreation Board, the National Capital Parks, American Forestry Association, the Electric Institute of Washington and the Greater National Capital committee of the Washington Board of Trade.

Britain Asks Czechs To Pay for Industries

London, Dec. 22 (AP).—Great Britain has asked Czechoslovakia to compensate, in pounds sterling, British investors in nationalized Czech industries, a foreign office spokesman disclosed tonight. He said parallel representations may have been made by the United States.

In a note handed to the Czechoslovakian government by the British ambassador in Prague, the British asked for assurance of "adequate compensation," and made clear that Slovak crowns were not regarded as adequate since they were not acceptable outside Czechoslovakia at the present exchange rate of 201 crowns to a pound ($4).

Army Deserter Sought in Slaying Of Mich. Salesman

Holland, Mich., Dec. 22 (AP).—An Army deserter was sought today in Gary, Ind., as a suspect from exclusive Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich.

Donald Milewski, 19, of Holland, said he found a resemblance between a police picture of the soldier and the soft-spoken, courteous youth who kidnaped him and his teen-age girl companion near Holland Friday and forced them at gun point to drive him to the Indiana steel center.

Gary police want the soldier, a deserter, for questioning about a series of robberies and kidnap car thefts there.

Michigan police said they are convinced the man who rode with Milewski, an Army Air Forces Private, is the hitch-hiking slayer of the salesman.

Beh, a neighbor of Henry Ford 2d, was found Friday morning slugged in the head and shot in the side with a 45-caliber bullet. He was known to have left Chicago at 2 p. m. Thursday en route to Muskegon, Mich.

His wife said he was in the habit of aiding hitch-hikers, especially service men.

STRIKES

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50,000 nonstriking office workers.

The latest corporation report indicated that half of those workers had access to the 93 GM plants before holiday vacations started for salaried workers.

The prolonged glass industry strike caused an indefinite shutdown of one Briggs Manufacturing Co. plant and layoffs for 2000 workers.

Local Demands Up First

The disputes up for preliminary consideration at the Wednesday meeting, though at a secondary level, were listed as vital to settlement of the GM strike by a UAW spokesman. He said it might be difficult to get strikers back to work unless the local demands were met, even if the national issues were settled.

Local demands included working conditions, elimination of incentive pay and shift preferences. Eruption of the strike November 21 canceled talks between local union leaders and individual plant managers on those demands.

The UAW's bid for an industry-wide 30 per cent pay boost was stalled on other fronts. Negotiations with Ford, which had been progressing smoothly for several weeks, were recessed this week. The UAW rejcted a 15-cent-an-hour offer and negotiations recessed until January 8.

Chrysler, where UAW workers have been working without a contract since December 5, awaited a new UAW move. Kaiser-Frazer negotiations for a UAW contract, which started last week, will be resumed January 7.

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the Inner Mongolian province of Chahar.

A National government dispatch from Peiping charged the Communists were attacking the Peiping-Mukden railway city of Lwanhsien, which lies between Tientsin and the U. S. Marine-guarded port of Chinwangtao.

Another dispatch said Central government troops had recaptured Tsaoyang, highway town about 140 miles northwest of Hankow.

U. S. Troop Assistance Reported Terminated

The Army and Navy Journal said yesterday the United States has stopped assisting the movement of Chinese Nationalist troops from South China "as a result of talks of Big Three Foreign Ministers in Moscow.

State Department officials said, however, that the decision still rests with Gen. George C. Marshall.

These officials said the State Department directive to the War Department on troop movements in China, made public Tuesday, is still entirely valid.

This directive said Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer, United States Army commander in China, may transport Nationalist troops into Manchuria at his own discretion.

It added, however, that this privilege holds only for Manchuria. If Wedemeyer wishes to help transport Chinese troops into north China, it added, he must obtain the approval of General Marshall.

Russians Release 15 Polish Airfields Used by Red Army

Warsaw, Dec. 22 (AP).—New advances in what the Warsaw press described as Poland's "return to normalcy" were disclosed today by the official announcement that 15 airfields used by the Red Army now have been turned back to Polish airlines.

The newspaper Kurjer Codzienny pointed out that the Russians previously had handed control of Polish railways back to civilian authorities. The partially reconstructed University of Warsaw resumed full time classes for the first time since the German occupation.

Russian forces are reported withdrawing from most of liberated Poland, with Polish public security agents undertaking to preserve law and order.

The Soviet journel Wolnosc said Russian commanders were taking stern measures against Red Army men convicted of banditry.

Yank Flies From Korea To His Girl in England

On his way from Korea to England—some 15,000 miles—to see his English sweetheart in the hope of marrying her, Lieut. Peter Thomas, 29, USA, stopped off at National Airport last night.

The couple met while Thomas was an MP officer in England, more than a year ago. Thomas said he'd rather spend Christmas honeymooning than at home in St. Louis, Mo.

Carlan Baby's Mother Avoids His Casket

Chelsea, Mass., Dec. 22 (U.P.).—Mrs. Rose Carlan attended a burial service today for the 6-month-old son whose body she kept hidden in her bedroom while pretending he was kidnaped. At her side, her husband wept.

Avoiding the casket, Mrs. Carlan hid her head against her husband's chest during the five minute committal ceremony at new Holy Cross Cemetery in Malden.

There were no flowers on the casket or the grave. Nine mourners—two sisters of Mrs. Carlan, and her husband's family—made up the small procession that, led by a police car, went from Chelsea to Malden, to pay final tribute to baby Ronald whose "kidnaping" aroused the Nation's concern.

Privacy was enforced at the William D. Casey undertaking home where the body was taken last night. The Rev. Daniel J. Scully, a curate of St. Rose's Catholic Church, officiated at the services, to which no one but police, the press and the immediate family was admitted.

Machinist's Mate James J. Carlan, the father, was expected to request an extension of his Navy leave to be with his 23-year-old wife on January 10, when she is scheduled to appear in district court on a charge of murder. His leave is now scheduled to end January 3.

UNRRA

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various countries were sketched as follows:

Italy—$450,000,000. Supplies delivered to this country in January and partly in February will be those loaded by the United States Army FEA program in December. UNRRA will assume responsibility there on January 2. Relief needs of the country are extremely great.

Austria Report Studied

Austria—One hundred million dollars. Completion of arrangements still are under way, pending study of a recent UNRRA mission to that country. Until they are settled, Allied armies will continue "to supply the basic necessities of life which must be imported for the Austrian people."

Korea—An examination of needs there is just now getting under way.

Formosa—Needs there will be handled through the program set up for China.

China — 675 million dollars — Basic work for a program has been completed and the program "will constitute the largest single United Nations relief effort." Restoration of some inland transportation is the first problem.

Countries in which UNRRA programs already are in operation will receive 1946 aid tentatively set as follows: Poland, 533 million dollars; Albania, 30 million dollars; Czechoslovakia, 315 million dollars; Greece, 450 million dollars; Yugoslavia, 519 million dollars.

Other emergency programs will account for an expenditure of $37,800,000. This would leave UNRRA an unallocated balance of 185 million dollars from the $3,768,600,000 expected to be available during the year. Administrative expenses for the year were estimatd at $35,100,000 and mission operating expenses at $55,500,000.

The agency will continue its work among displaced persons and has under consideration now the question of whether UNRRA aid should be extended to Spanish refugees in France. There are several hundred thousand of these in need of help, according to representations by the refugee Spanish government.

TRAVEL

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rate of 25 a minute. Swollen-footed waitresses rushed food to hungry civilians and servicemen faster than scullery hands could clen silver.

Peter Adriani, manager of the Gateway Restaurants, said that the day was the busiest ever.

"We just about get our breath when a detachment of troops marches in and demands full dinners. Many of the civilians aren't really hungry—they're just cold and tired, and when we awaken them for their orders they mutter requests for food we haven't had since before the war."

The President's room in the station—a haven for the traveling servicemen—looked like a mass page from Rip Van Winkle. Servicemen and women, strewn on every conceivable type of makeshift bed, snored through the late afternoon and evening.

Confortionist soldiers and sailers slept in stiff-backed chairs, propped against the walls; their only security were their heels gripping chair rungs.

Travelers Air workers played hostes to more than half a dozen "lost, strayed or mising" children, who all seemed to accept their plight far more placidly than distraught fathers and mothers or equally worried workers.

The crowds were orderly. Only the small children showed signs of the strain, and many of these, beyond the point of complaining, slept in sleeping fathers' laps.

The crowd was about half servicemen, half civilians. "Homing-pigeoned" uniforms were, by far, the most numerous, except when special troop movements swarmed through the station.

A special detachment of 18 policemen from the Metropolitan Police School were on hand helping the regular station force and the Military Police.

While Tolson said that great crowds were expected to continue to pour through all night and early morning, they felt that the station had passed its peak; tapering off would begin today and normalcy would return—until after the holidays.

The Federal Diary

By Jerry Kluttz

Senator Downey Has New U. S. Pay Bill Coming Up

DETERMINED: Sheridan Downey is a determined Senator. He joined with the President to ask that salaries of classified Federal workers be raised a flat 20 per cent. The Senate, however, voted the Byrd amendment which cut the proposed increase down to an average of 11 per cent. This would have discouraged the average legislator. But not Senator Downey who told me before he left for his California home that he would sponsor another wage increase bill for Federal workers after the holidays. "I left instructions," he told me, "to have a bill drawn while I'm away and I'll introduce it shortly after I return. I'll get hearings started before the Senate Civil Service Committee soon afterwards and we'll hear all the witnesses who want to testify."

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TOP: The proposed bill will deal with employes in the middle and top brackets. Downey is convinced that the Senate bill is far from adequate and that it will have the effect of driving more able men and women from the Federal service. The Senator pointed out repeatedly on the floor that the few higher-bracket employes in Government have had their buying power cut in half since the war through higher taxes and the higher cost of living. The new Downey bill is being drafted to give relief to this group but, as everyone knows, the wage question can't be opened up for one group without the entire wage policy of the Government coming in for study. Therefore, it is clearly possible that the Senate committee may try to write a new bill to supersede the bill that was approved last week.

PROPER: And Downey can introduce a new bill with good grace. He told me, in fact, that he had been ordered to do it by his committee. He got the order, it seems, at the meeting of his committee when the 20 per cent pay bill was reported. The flat 20 per cent was reported and that's all. Downey called up the Administration's proposed amendment which would raise the ceiling on Classification Act salaries from $9800 to $15,000. The committee decided, he said, that it would be best to incorporate this plan and the one to raise the salaries of judges, Cabinet members and other Federal executives in a separate bill. "I was told," he recalled, "to introduce the bill after the Senate had acted on the 20 per cent bill and that's what I'm going to do." Downey disagreed with this strategy and he had hoped to get Senate action on all proposed amendments before the vote on the 20 per cent bill.

LIFT: Downey's main interest is the amendment which would add two new grades on top of the Classification Act and which would raise the ceiling on Classification Act salaries from $9800 to $15,000. Cabinet, subcabinet and other Federal executives would be given corresponding increases. Only a handful of employes would actually be paid between $10,000 and $15,000, but it would have the effect of raising the grades of many employes who are stymied in the middle and top brackets. The bill as passed by the Senate certainly isn't conducive to the morale of Federal executives. It will have the effect of "bunching" salaries of executives and a few subordinates in the $9000 and $10,000 range and a good many bureau chiefs and executives would actually be paid less than employes under them.

BLASTS: Meantime, you can expect to see an all-out fight against the Classification Act which fixes the salaries of the Government's annual workers. Several potent Government groups are maneuvering to get out from under that act so they can pay higher salaries. For example, just a few days ago the Congress approved a bill to set up a department of medicine and surgery in the Veterans' Administration. The real purpose of this legislation is to get many VA employes out of Civil Service and the Classification Act. Under it, the medical director and his staff would be paid more than $10,000. The Classification Act would fix their salaries at around $8600. The scientific group in Government also is angling to get its own pay schedule which would be considerably higher than rates set up in the Classification Act. Other professional groups have the same idea. They all argue—and with some justification—that top professional and scientific people won't accept jobs at the Government's scale.

PROBLEM: All these complaints remind me of an observation made by a Senator after the Senate approved the pay bill the other day. He said: "I don't believe the Congress will ever vote a satisfactory pay bill for the Federal workers. We don't know enough about all the different groups of Federal workers and we haven't the time to learn. I've just about come to the conclusion that this responsibility should be taken from the Congress and delegated to a fact-finding board." This Senator is opposed to a geographical differential for Federal workers, but he admitted privately that it was perhaps the thing to do. "As it is," he observed, "Federal employes in Washington are certainly discriminated against. We all realize the cost of living is higher here than in any other city, yet we can't raise all Federal salaries to meet conditions here. Wouldn't it be sensible to pay employes here higher salaries."

Special Yule Programs Set In Loudoun

Leesburg, Va., Dec. 22 (Spl.).—The Christmas story will be presented through songs, sermons, pageants and special programs in Loudoun County churches.

At St. James Episcopal Church, Leesburg, Christmas vesper services, with singing of Christmas hymns and carols, will be observed at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon. A selection of anthems appropriate to the season will be rendered by the choir. Miss Elizabeth Davis, organist, will be accompanied by Mrs. Alfred Seccombe on the harp. A service of lights will conclude the vesper services. At 11 a. m. Christmas Day there will be services and the celebration of the Holy Communion.

High mass will be celebrated by the Rev. Michael F. Igoe in St. John's Roman Catholic Church, Leesburg, on Christmas Eve at midnight to be followed by the benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Masses on Christmas Day will be at 9 and 10 o'clock in the morning. The music will be under the direction of Mrs. Thomas H. Spates. Christmas carols will be sung before the midnight mass.

Organ Recital Set

The choir of the Leesburg Methodist Church will present its program of Christmas music at 8 o'clock Sunday night, including a 15-minute organ recital by Mrs. J. Shenton Lodge. The Christmas message will be delivered by the pastor, the Rev. J. Shenton Lodge, at 11 a. m. Sunday. At the Leesburg Baptist Church, candlelight services by the Junior Choir will be held at 8 o'clock Sunday night.

The Rev. Paul Shultz, rector of Madison parish, announced services as follows: Holy Communion and sermon at St. Peter's Church, Purcellville, at 11 o'clock Sunday morning, and at the Good Shepherd, Bluemont, at 3 p. m. the same day; Mount Calvary, Round Hill, candlelight services at 11:45 p. m. Monday, and at St. Paul's Episcopal Church there will be Holy Communion and sermon at 10:30 a. m. Christmas.

Bethany Methodist Church, Purcellville, will give its annual Christmas program at 7:45 p. m. December 23. Miss Mary Elizabeth Poulsen, church organist, will open the program with a recital. Miss Virginia Wynkoop, soprano of the Foundry Methodist Church choir, Washington, will give several selections. A pageant to be presented under the direction of Mrs. Mary Dillon and Mrs. Ruth Schulke will conclude the program.

Baptist Rites Slated

The Purcellville Baptist Church will hold a candlelight Christmas Eve service at 11:15 o'clock when the pastor, the Rev. Paul B. Watlington, jr., will deliver a Christmas message. The choir, under the direction of Mrs. N. B. Hawthorne, jr., will sing Christmas carols. Miss Mary Kathryn Yakey will sing "O, Holy Night." The Round Hill Baptist Church will have a candlelight service at 8 p. m. Sunday, with Christmas music and sermon.

Corp. W. S. Rust has returned to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David N. Rust, after having served three years and eight months in the Army. Corporal Rust, who has received his discharge, was attached to a unit of combat engineers of the Twenty-sixth Division. He participated in the Battle of the Bulge and saw service in France, Luxembourg, Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia.

The combined senior, junior and grade glee clubs of the Leesburg High School will present a sacred concert of Christmas music in the Leesburg Methodist Church at 8 o'clock Christmas Eve. Mrs. Betty Welbourn Seccombe, harpist, and Mrs. Charles W. Caulkins, who will render selections on the trumpet, will assist the glee clubs. More than 100 voices will participate under the direction of Mrs. J. Shenton Lodge, who will accompany them upon the pipe organ.

12 FM Channels Assigned by FCC To Three Md. Cities

By the Associated Press

The Federal Communications Commission announced yesterday that 12 FM (frequency modulation) radio channels had been assigned tentatively to three cities in Maryland as part of a plan to provide the country with approximately 1500 static-free stations.

Three so-called community channels, which can provide as many as five additional stations with a maximum power of 250 watts and limited range, also have been assigned tentatively to Maryland, the commission said.

The commission explained that the tentative pattern serves as a guide in passing upon FM applications.

The tentative channel allocations for Maryland include: Baltimore, nine channels; Cumberland, two; Frederick, one; Hagerstown, Olney and Salisbury, all eligible for community stations.

Pennington Gap Fire Razes Three Buildings

Pennington Gap., Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—Plans are being considered here for the rebuilding of three buildings in the business district of this community destroyed by fire early yesterday morning.

They are the Ford Motor Co. garage and show rooms, the Lee Theater and the Miles Lodge Masonic Hall.

Jim and Earl C. Lanningham and Perle Stewart, owners of the buildings, placed the damage at $125,000.

Two firemen were injured while fighting the fire, one receiving a broken leg and a dislocated knee cap, while another suffered bruises and cuts when swept from his feet by a stream from a hose.

BABY FEEDER—Six-weeks-old Nancy Lee Bloom takes nourishment from a baby feeder invented by her father, Alan D. Bloom, a former Marine, at Los Angeles. He calls it a feederette.

School Funds 'Diversion' in Albemarle Hit

Charlottesville, Va., Dec. 22 (Spl.).—E. O. McCue, jr., member o fthe Virginia House of Delegates, loosed a second blast at Albemarle County School financing policy in an appearance this week before the board of county supervisors.

Money already sent to Albemarle by the State with the intention that it should be used for school purposes apparently is not going to that department, said Mr. McCue, who charged that most of the pay increase that teachers have received since he has been in the legislature has come from State money and that the county is not doing its share to aid teachers or schools.

He cited Fluvanna County, which he termed one of the "poor" counties of the State, but where he said teacher salaries in 1944-45 averaged $1,086. This county, he added, has an assessed realty valuation of about $3,800,000, compared with Albemarle's approximately $12,700,000. Yet Fluvana, he continued, is maintaining one of the finest centralized high schools, providing manual training, in the State.

McCue stated it looked like the only way to get ABC money sent to Albemarle to go to school purposes was to earmark these funds for that purpose, which he added he did not like to do as a matter of public policy and because objections have ben raised that such action would be "tying teachers to the liquor business."

UNO Invited Again to Move Into Virginia

Richmond, Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—The preparatory commission of the United Nations has been requested to again consider Virginia as a permanent site for the United Nations Organization and has been extended an invitation to send a delegation to inspect the commonwealth.

The invitation was contained in a telegram over the signatures of Governor Darden and Wilfred A. Roper, president of the State Chamber of Commerce, sent yesterday to Gladwyn Jebb, secretary of the commission, which read:

"Virginia, site of the first free legislative assembly in the New World, named for Britain's virgin queen, and birthplace of Washington and Jefferson, who were friends of Lafayette, Rochambeau and Degrasse and idols of Simon Bolivar, again invites favorable consideration as the permanent site for the United Nations capital.

"Many Virginia communities, easily accessible to the capitals of the world by air, rail and water, with adequate communications, and sufficiently removed from Washington, invite a visit of inspection. It would be most fitting to locate the first home of the international assembly of the United Nations in the State where the first written constitution of a free and independent State, based on the declaration of rights of man by George Mason, was framed."

Fruit Growers Favor Special Publicity Tax

Winchester, Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—Frederick and Clarke county fruit growers have endorsed a plan to request the General Assembly for a 1¼ cent merchandising tax on packaged fruit to advertise and promote the apple industry in Virginia.

Chicago Livestock

Chicago, Dec. 22 (AP) (USDA).—SALABLE HOGS—Receipts, 500 (estimated;) total unavailable; compared with week ago, all weights and classes steady.

SALABLE CATTLE—Receipts, 500 (estimated); total unavailable; compared Friday last week, bulk fed steers and yearlings, including yearling heifers, fully 50 cents lower; only scattered supply strictly choice steers scraped decline; choice beef cows steady; all other cows weak to 50 cents lower; bulls and vealers about steady; sharpest decline on steers and fat heifers in weeks; largely beef cattle run with cows and lower-grade heifers in liberal supply; bulk heifers late, 13.00@16.00; country finishers bought fleshy weighty steers at 13.50@15.25, and heifers at 12.00@13.40 at weekend; strictly choice heavy beefe cows reached 15.00, practical outside 14.25; most beef cows at close, 8.50@12.00; canners and cutters, 7.00@8.00; heavy sausage bulls reached 13.25 and heavy fat bulls 14.25; vealers, 15.50 down.

SALABLE SHEEP—Receipts 200 (estimated total unavailable); compared Friday last week, slaughter lambs 25 cents higher; medium to good lambs, 12.50@14.00, most common natives, 11.00@11.50, bucks included; few culls down to 9.00; 15 loads good and choice fed clipped lambs, 13.75@14.35; bulk with fall-shorn pelts, 14.00@14.25; good and choice yearlings, 11.00@12.75; common to choice slaughter ewes, 5.50@7.50.

Two States Retaliate in Fight Against Va. Truck Tax Plan

Richmond, Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—Virginia's action in re-imposing the two per cent gross receipts tax on out-of-State motor carriers, effective January 1, has brought retaliatory steps from North Carolina and Ohio, it was learned today, and it appeared that the District of Columbia would swing its weight against the Old Dominion in the reciprocal trade battle.

Virginia truckers have been notified that on and after January 1, this State's carriers operating in North Carolina must purchase either a contract hauler license or pay that State's 6 per cent gross receipts tax.

The truckers also have received notice that as of December 15 any trucks, tractors and trailers doing business in the Buckeye State must pay public utility fees of Ohio.

D. C. Also to Act

In their notices to Virginia truckers authorities of the two States made it clear that their actions were taken only because of Virginia's move to restore the two per cent tax. Fees and charges now or to be demanded of the truckers have been waived heretofore under reciprocal agreements.

Meanwhile, Charles Morgan, director of operations of the American Trucker's Association, said he had been informed that on and after January 2 Virginia trucks crossing the District of Columbia line will be stopped and will be subject to fines in the event of noncompliance with the District's requirements. These include local titling, inspection and registration laws, payment of personal property taxes on vehicles, purchases of tags, payment of income tax on funds earned in the District and operator's permits for drivers.

The Virginia Highway Users Association said it had received no official notice of the retaliatory action by the District of Columbia but that such notice was expected in view of published statements of the District Commissioners.

Gov. Darden Silent

Governor Darden was silent on the situation today, but on previous occasions has expressed the opinion that the Virginia tax represents a just and reasonable levy imposed for the use of Virginia's highway system. He has stated that if the tax is not a just one, it should be repealed, but that if it is a just levy, it should be enforced and collected.

During the war the tax was not enforced under reciprocal agreements.

The Virginia Highway Users Association and the American Truckers Association are seeking to prevent imposition of the Virginia tax on the ground that it is a trade barrier.

The matter is expected to come before the General Assembly, which will convene here early in January.

'Hitler Train' Waits Unloading From Ship in Baltimore

Baltimore, Dec. 22 (AP).—A train reputedly once Hitler's own may be on its way to Fort Monroe, Va., within a week for inspection by Army experts there. Col. K. W. Thom, transportation officer, said last night.

At present the three-unit Diesel curiosity is still aboard a Liberty ship in Baltimore Harbor, its unloading delayed because of labor shortages.

But the train is expected to be removed next week, Colonel Thom said. Before sending it on to Virginia, he added, Army engineers will have to take a track curve survey to determine whether the train can take the curves.

At Fort Monroe the train is to be studied and its heavy steel plates will be subjected to tests to discover how safe the cars actually were.

Dr. McGuire to Enter Councilmanic Race

Winchester, Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—Dr. William P. McGuire, recently released to inactive duty by the United States Navy, has announced that he will be a candidate for one of the six seats to be vacated on the city council next year.

Members whose terms expire are Earl E. Baker, Leonard Sirbaugh, R. Frank Barr, Fred L. Glaize, jr., J. Henkel Henry and Alan Perry.

If elected, Dr. McGuire would be the fourth McGuire to serve on that body, his father, grandfather, and an uncle having been members of the city council.

Chick Production, Demand Expected To Drop Sharply

By the Associated Press

The record output of chicks for Maryland—and on the Delmarva Peninsula in general—may be expected to recede from now on, after having reached a high in November, Dr. Morley Jull, head of the University of Maryland's poultry department, said yesterday.

He stated that production in November totaled 62,723,000 in chicks and 39,302,000 in Delaware, the Department of Agriculture reported.

Dr. Jull asserted that as more red meat, particularly beef, becomes available, poultry demand would slacken off.

He added that reports from the Eastern Shore indicate that broiler production there may be cut by as much as 25 per cent in 1946. The Agriculture Department was calling for a 17 per cent cut in broiler production throughout the Nation, he said.

John S. White Is Dead at 74; Ex-Postmaster

Charlottesville, Va., Dec. 22 (Spl.).—John Shelton White, 74, who for 18 years served as postmaster at Charlottesville, retiring after reaching the age limit, died here last night.

Only son of the late Judge John M. White of Albermarle County Court, he attended Pantops Academy and studied law at the University of Virginia. For years he was a member of the law firm of White and Long.

During Spanish-American War he served as first lieutenant in Company D., Third Virginia Infantry. He was on the directorate of the Peoples Bank and a number of local industries.

He was twice married, first to Miss Hattie May Rives. His second wife, who survives, was Miss Alice Davis. There are three sisters, Mrs. George Barton of Lynchburg, and Mrs. William Bryant and Mrs. Elizabeth Beauchamp of Charlottesville.

Mrs. Mary F. Sherwood

Baltimore, Dec. 22 (AP).—Mrs. Mary Franklin Jones Sherwood, wife of John W. Sherwood, Baltimore petroleum industrialist, dies last night at the University Hospital. The extensive gardens at her Baltimore home were visited annually by many thousands of persons as a noted scene of beauty. She also had a summer home near Annapolis, Tromont-on-Severn. Besides her husband, Mrs. Sherwood is survived by two sons and two daughters. Funeral services will be held Monday morning.

Isaac W. Eason

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—Isaac Willoughby Eason of Camden, N. J., attorney general of New Jersey during Woodrow Wilson's term as governor, died today in a Norfolk hospital after an illness of two years. Surviving are one son, Dr. Robert R. Eason of Buena Vista, Va., two sisters and a brother.

Mrs. Fannie C. Littell

Charlottesville, Va., Dec. 22.—Funeral rites for Mrs. Fannie Chancellor Littell, native of Albemarle County and widow of J. Frank Littell, former postmaster at Grottoes, Rockingham County, were held yesterday afternoon from the residence in Grottoes, conducted by the Rev. Charles Phipps. Mrs. Littell was the daughter of the late James H. and Mildred Bowcock Burnley of Clover Hill, this county, and was 80 years of age. She is survived by a number of nieces and nephews.

Navy Officer Dies in Crash

Edgewood, Md., Dec. 22 (AP).—Navy Lieut. Charles E. Robbins, 31, of Gallatin, Tenn., who had been stationed at the Bainbridge Naval Training Center, Md., was killed today when his car hit a parked truck on Route 40 five miles south of here, State Police reported.

Virginia Counties League Maps Legislation After Hearings

Charlottesville, Va., Dec. 22 (Spl.).—The League of Virginia Counties, under the leadership of its president, G. A. Treakle, has completed a series of district meetings and is preparing to make a systematic compilation of the needs of counties to be the basis for legislative recommendations.

District meetings have been held in Richmond, Roanoke, Harrisonburg, Culpeper and Tappahannock within the last four weeks for informal discussions of county problems and future plans. Treakle, speaking for the league officials, today expressed gratification at the results achieved by these conferences.

"Members of county boards of supervisors and other county and State officials have taken part in a discussion of current problems of Virginia's counties on a basis of give and take to the mutual benefit of all," he said. "This is not surprising when the subjects discussed at these meetings are set forth.

"It is generally felt that additional sources of revenue will have to be given to the counties of Virginia if they are to cope with the need for better education, public health and other essential functions of county government. At all of these meetings the possibility of improving the method of selecting members of school boards received considerable attention.

"Other important subjects discussed included Judge Bazile's recent decision invalidating the Fairfax County zoning ordnance, the desirability for more effective control of county subdivisions, the extension of public health services to all Virginia counties, diversion of highway funds, the extension of county district homes and State participation in the cost of maintaining county inmates in them, additional facilites for treatment of tubercular patents and similar subjects."

On December 29, at 10 a. m., the executive board and the legislative committee will meet in Richmond to draw up a program of specific legislative proposals suited to county needs.

. . . *Wall Street Journal publishes Government Experts' Secret Forecast*

Far from frivolous is the estimate by Department of Agriculture and O. P. A. economists that the price of meat balls will bounce 24.17% . . . when Federal food subsidies stop.

Dropping of subsidies, these experts predict, will result in 15% to 25% higher meat prices and a 10% rise in the overall cost of food by next summer . . . a $2.2 billion addition to the nation's grocery bill.

Consumer food costs would thus be kited to their highest point since H. C. L. days of 1920.

A contradiction of the Administration's publicly stated opinion, this Agriculture—O. P. A. study was a closely guarded, privately circulated document.

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What are the crying needs that constitute this need, that the importance of the forests should be so highlighted? We need practically everything. We need lumber for our buildings, and we need furniture for our homes. We need vast stores of paper—for newsprint, paper bags, wrapping paper, cartons, sanitary tissues, and a myriad of other uses. We need ultra-smart paneling for interior decorations and strong, light-weight plywood for shipping cases. We need rayon dresses, suit linings, plastic glass, rubbing alcohol, and other miracles of chemurgy yet to be developed. Our needs are tremendous, but so are our forests.

Southern lumber long ago found its place in virtually every type of construction. As the nation swings into its greatest building boom, it is easy to visualize our lumber mills working at top speed during the next several years.

Less expansive, but startling in its possibilities, is the Southern furniture industry. For, growing side by side with the famous Southern softwoods are such ideal furniture hardwoods as oak, maple, and red gum. Plywoods, from both hard and soft woods, strengthened by amazing synthetic resin glues derived from the Southern slash pine, are gaining well-earned prestige because of their ability to give furniture new beauty, strength, and utility.

Southern pulpwood, which became so important during the pre-war decades, undoubtedly will continue to establish new highs. Studded with yellow pine, our timberlands teem with the type of trees whose wood easily converts into paper pulp. Most encouraging is the demonstrated ability of these trees to replenish themselves. Assuming that recently developed statistics are reliable, our snow-free, warmer Southern acres replace nine trees each year for every ten we use. Extensive conservation and replanting programs promise to make this ratio even more favorable.

With enlarged populations and incomes, our Southern cities and towns form a gigantic market for peacetime products. Trained more extensively than in any previous era, Southern labor is making a potent bid for industrial recognition. The South's growing demand, coupled with its skilled labor supply, makes an impressive beat in the economic pulse of the nation.

The indications are plain. In the South we have a reassuring supply of timber, labor, and other resources. The demand for old and new wood products is seemingly inexhaustible. Manufacturers, well aware of the advantages in having ready markets amid a plentiful source of raw materials, are not liable to ignore the signs.

Editorial from THE SUMTER (S.C.) DAILY ITEM

District, Md., Va. Troops Arriving

These names were telegraphed directly to The Washington Post by the Associated Press. There is no assurance that the list is correct, because it was compiled in Europe and at Pacific bases previous to embarkation, but officials said that the margin of error is slight. Relatives should not contact the port or The Washington Post for further information.

Arrivals on Battleship

New York, Dec. 22.—Arrivals aboard the Battleship Washington, due here tomorrow, are scheduled to include:

WASHINGTON

Berman, Pfc. David Z.
Gill, T/Sergt. Hubert C.
Reed, Pfc. John W.
Lee, Pfc. Thomas.
McDonough, Pvt. Paul M.
Kouzis, S/Sergt. Frank C.
Hessler, Pfc. Bernard P., jr.

VIRGINIA

Terry, Pfc. George A., Lynchburg.
Covington, S/Sergt. Robert L., jr., Richmond.
McQuarry, S/Sergt. Frank A., jr., Lynchburg.
Duncan, S/Sergt. Arthur, Riverton.
Padgett, Sergt. David, Lynchburg.
Gould, T/5 Howard A., Norfolk.
Rochelle, T/5 Dumas W., jr., Norfolk.
Raines, Pfc. Russell W., Newcastle.
Little, Corpl. Thomas L., Portsmouth.
Lawrence, Pfc. Lewis H., Norfolk.
Daniel, T/4 Arthur H., Waynesboro.
Pullen, Corpl. Claude C., jr., Clifton Forge.
Riddick, T/5 George P., jr., Richmond.
Shuford, T/5 Robert D., Martinsville.

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Klein, Sergt. Robert E., Frederick.
Keim, T/Sergt. Shewell D., Wallville.
Borig, Pfc. Miller, Fort Meade.
Nash, S/Sergt. Joseph L., Phoenix.
Stouffer, T/4 Allen R., Hagerstown.
Bauerlien, T/5 William R., Westminster.
Reed, T/5 Walter W., Cumberland.
Bloss, Pvt. Walter E., Cumberland.
Knox, Pfc. Enoch C., Chestertown.
Wilder, Pfc. George H., Woodbine.
Owens, Capt. John E., jr., Dundalk.

Aboard Capt Flattery

New York, Dec. 22.—Arrivals aboard the Cape Flattery, due here today, are scheduled to include:

WASHINGTON

Chalfonte, Pfc. Francis E.
Cohinsky, Sergt. Sol T.
Cohen, Pfc. Samuel S.

MARYLAND

Coyle, T/5 James M., jr., Owings Mills.
Miller, Corpl. Louis W., Cumberland.
Edmonds, Pfc. Vernon T., Goodman.
Haas, Corpl. John R., Brooklyn.
McDaniel, T/4 Homer, Salsbury.
Dishong, Pvt. Charles A., Celia.

VIRGINIA

Garvey, S/Sergt. Thomas J., Arlington.
Johnson, Corpl. William O., Littleton.
Meadows, Corpl. Ralph C., Alexandria.
Capewich, T/5 Max, Danville.
Bartlett, S/Sergt. Joseph, Roanoke.
Watkins, Corpl. Odell W., Alexandria.
Parrish, Pfc. Edwin J., Shipman.
Clear, S/Sergt. Elmer E., Broadford.
Peaks, Corpl. Arlie B., Marion.
Little, T/3 William K., Saltville.
Siechowiak, T/4 Steve W., Martinsville.
Gasten, Pfc. Robert T., Pulaski.
Clark, T/5 Donald J., Staunton.
Lawrence, T/5 Curtis, Princess Anne.
Hale, Pfc. Edward L., Roanoke.
Gower, Pvt. Thomas M., Norfolk.
Bridgeforth, S/Sergt. William, Kenbridge.
Buchanan, S/Sergt. Edward E., Portsmouth.
Harding, Pfc. Walter S., Lynchburg.
Harris, Pfc. Jessie J., South Boston.
Tinden, Pfc. George R., Dunbar.
Williams, S/Sergt. Lynn G., Roanoke.
Elliott, T/4 Robert C., Lynchburg.
Jefferson, Pfc. Lemon C., Danville.
Tate, Pfc. Sidney L., Charlottesville.

Listed by General Hodges

New York, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Arrivals aboard the General Hodges, due tomorrow are scheduled to include:

VIRGINIA

Gee, Corpl. Frederick H., Newport News.
Beyce, T/5 Edward L., Portsmouth.
Stephenson, Sergt. Robert C., Route 2, Boykins.
Johnson, T/5 Clifton, Portsmouth.
Jones, T/5 Andrew C., South Hill.
Chamblias, Pfc. Caesar A., Franklin.
Holloway, T/4 Bennard, Norfolk.
Jackson, Corpl. Linwood T., Wood Cross rd.
Willis, Corpl. Joseph L., Front Royal.
Hunter, T/5 James, Salem.
Pierce, T/5 Thurman, Holland.
Reid, George, General Delivery, Kendall Grove.
Mills, Pfc. James D., Radford.
Winn, Sergt. James M., Dillwyn.
Butler, Corpl. Austin G., Front Royal.
Bailey, T/5 James A., Newport News.
King, T/5 Vasle, Norfolk.
Morton, T/5 James T., Norfolk.
Williams, T/5 Joseph, Lynchburg.
Henderson, Corpl. John L., Danville.
Tunstall, Pfc. Charley L., New Contan.

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Carter, S/Sergt. Maynard Z., Cumberland.
White, Otto E., Route 3, Berlin.
Wilson, Corpl. Earl S., Darlington.
Sharp, S/Sergt. Wilbur, jr., Cambridge.
Johnson, Pvt. Henry F., General Delivery, Parole.
Harried, Pfc. William, Mitchellville.

New York, Dec. 22.—Arrivals aboard the aircraft cruiser Enterprise, due here tomorrow, are scheduled to include:

WASHINGTON

Hunt, Sergt. John P.
Click, Tec/5 Robert C.
Tutterow, Tec/5 John R.
Dilodo, Pfc. Oresto.
Wyrick, Pfc. Luther D.
Ciuffrada, Pfc. Albert J.
Cruit, Pfc. Raymond L.
Wilson, Pfc. Dale H.
Ritchie, T/4 Kindred A.
Polmanter, Corpl. Wallace.
Weaver, T/5 Shirk A.
Cronberg, T/5 Emanuel.
Durrer, Pfc. Malcolm N., jr.
Dougherty, First Lieut. Edward E.
Williams, Tec/4 Luther K.
Mayhurst, T/5 Richard F.
Burger, Capt. Paul C.
Cowie, First Lieut. George D.
Blake, T/5 Isaac W.
Barrano, Pfc. Alexander C.

VIRGINIA

Smith, T/Sergt. William B., jr., Danville.
Miles, Pfc. James W., Hopewell.
Kinney, S/Sergt. Francis C., Richmond.
Murray, T/5 Hollis W., Petersburg.
Williams, T/5 Early L., Crockett.
Ready, Corpl. Harold A., sr. Roanoke.
Smoot, T/5 Robert H., Shipman.
Freeman, Pfc. Kyle G. Galax.
La Prade, Pfc. Wesley O., Saxe.
Naster, Pfc. Posey B. Short Creeks.
Williams, Pfc. Charles O., Hopewell.
La Barbera, Pvt. James E., Hampton.
Coffman, Corpl. Curtis T. Jerome.
Nicholson, Capt. Vernon S., jr., Portsmouth.
Napier, Sergt. Albert C., Randolph.
Ollico, Sergt. Robert T., Portsmouth.
Rosson, Corpl. Clarence W., Glenallen.
Sweet, Corpl. Lynn D., jr., Crewe.
Byers, T/5 George C., Richmond.
Eversole, T/5 Luther C., Wytheville.
Fuller, T/5 Lee R., Cumberland.
Oliver, T/5 Nelson L., Harrisonburg.
Schikivetz, T/5 Frank S. Richmond.
Stewart, T/5 Payton R., jr., Petersburg City.
Robbitt, Pfc. Charles E., Woodlawn.
Dodson, Pfc. Herman D., Danville.
Hooker, Pfc. Robert L., Woodlawn.
Johnston, Pfc. Curtis H., St. Charles.
Patrick, Pfc. Frank, jr., Damascus.
Fence, Pfc. Willie, Stanley.
Pearsh, Pfc. Raymond L., Edgerton.
Smith, Pfc. James H., Hayal.
Taylor, Pfc. Jerry, Culpeper.
Tuggle, Pfc. Lewis N., Richmond.
Warnhoff, Edward H., jr., Alexandria.
Wilson, Pfc. Edgar P., jr., Brentwood.
Taylor, Pvt. William E., Richmond.
Vaught, Pvt. Andrew R., Vinton.
Lockenburg, T/5 Stuart E., Richmond.
Lyon, T/5 James M., Hillsville.
Bradshaw, Pfc. Charles L., jr., Norfolk.
Eastwood, Pfc. William R., Wytheville.
Gilliam, Pfc. Frank E., Gale City.
Graham, Pfc. Cecil D., Bishop.
Lawrence, Pfc. Linwood, Galax.
Rose, Pfc. George M., Fredericksburg.
Alls, Pvt. Ralph E., Roanoke.
Cox, Pvt. Ray F., Martinsville.
Davis, Pvt. Marvin E., Richlands.
Pfadler, Pvt. William A., Richmond.
Lawalbm, Pvt. Samyek A., Blacksburg.
Diemente, First Lieut. Nicholas J., Richmond.
Holt, S/Sergt. William R., South Boston.
McConnell, S/Sergt. John G., Moundsville.
Porter, S/Sergt. John W., Richmond.
Emery, Sergt. Rankin L., jr., Chase City.
Hairfield, Sergt. Joseph C., Richmond.
Whitley, Sergt. Henry J., Windsor.
Coley, Corpl. William I., Richmond.
Holmes, Corpl. Fred C., Hayal.
Risser, Corpl. Lindsay A., Staunton.
Bland, T/5 John D., Norfolk.
Clark, T/5 Grenalit V., Avalon.
Harper, Pfc. Edward C., Richmond.
Layne, Pfc. Horace T., Gooch Ld. Courthouse.
Morris, Pfc. Howard F., Vernon Hill.
Wright, Pfc. Lawrence E., Richmond.
Burnett, M/Sergt. Robert B., Staunton.
Duff, T/3 Clarence E., Johnsons Mill.
Nelson, Sergt. Thomas F., Richmond.
Coffman, T/4 Glen C., Harrisonburg.
Ault, T/5 Arthur E., Arlington.
Polk, T/5 Denver R., Fulks Run.
Haynes, T/5 James E., Pennington Gap.
Kirtner, T/5 Randolph M., Radford.
Kiser, T/5 Lawrence B., Speers Ferry.
McAuls, T/5 Wayne L. R., Tacoma.
Nash, T/5 Connor F., Livingston.
Thore, T/5 Percy B., Stuart.
Vance, T/ Samuel C., Esserville.
Amos, Pfc. George L., Danville.
French, Pfc. Robert M., Middlesex County.
Mamman, Pfc. Charles F., jr., Woodstock.
Pettit, Pfc. James A., Alexandria.
Porter, Pfc. Warren J., Independence.
Samuels, Pfc. Ellis B., Standardsville.
Mowery, Pvt. Edward K., Tazewell.
Lake, Pvt. Paul W., Front Royal.
Roberts, Pvt. Burley, Esserville.
Myrick, T/5 Benjamin F., Norfolk.
Slade, T/5 James C., Bristol.
Abell, Pfc. William F., Middleburg.
Campbell, Pfc. Elwood C., Suffolk.
Jones, Pfc. Earl E., Danville.
Jones, Pfc. Ray T., Roanoke.
Musick, Pfc. Guy, Council.
Perry, Pfc. Austin T., Fort Blackmore.
Sage, Pfc. Kermit G., Blackwater.
Taylor, Pfc. George P., Lebanon.
Williams, Pfc. William M., Maybrook.
Arbaugh, Pvt. Marion W., Staunton.
Harrison, Pvt. Charles E., Springfield.
Nowlin, Maj. William H., jr., Lynchburg.
Moore, T/5 Hugh C., Vernon Hill.
Shelton, T/5 Lewis O., Richmond.
Rutrough, S/Sergt. Giles L., Floyd.
Stuart, S/Sergt. John E., Virginia.
Clementa, T/4 Shirley L., Waverly.
Mitchell, T/4 Charles W., jr., Roanoke.
Powell Corpl. Cecil L., Freeman.
Satterfield, Pvt. Clarence G., Norfolk.
Farrar, T/Sergt. Stuart M., Pamplin.
Hickman, S/Sergt. Sidney E., Lexington.
Elkins, Sergt. James, Castlewood.
Leaser, Sergt. Hugh F., Remington.
Bradford, Carrol P., T/4, Blackstone.
Thierry, T/4 Earl M., Roanoke.
Tolley, T/4 Marvin L., Lexington.
Anderson, Corpl. Willie W., jr., Roanoke.
Capps, Corpl. Walter P., Petersburg.
Loving, T/5 Julian T., jr., Elmont.
Marcinkus, T/5 Anthony J., Alexandria.
Smith, T/5 Bennie E., sr., Richmond.
Brown, Pfc. Elmer, Splashdam.
Elliott, Pfc. Milton G., Brightwood.
Loving, Pfc. Herlon E., Ashland.
Scott, Pfc. John T., Lynchburg.
Jones, T/Sergt. Jerry J., Portsmouth.
Sowers, Pfc. Ralph E., Pilot.
Harvey, Pvt. James H., Phenix.
Cox, Pvt. Ruben, jr., Floyd.

MARYLAND

Kelly, T/5 Frederick D., Seabrook.
Dove, Pfc. Elbert M., sr., Laurel.
Robichaud, T/3 Edgar G., Fort Deposit.
Fox, T/4 Morton M., Hurlock.
Hull, T/4 George V., Frederick.
Wesh, T/5 William E., Hanover.
Griffith, Pfc. Carvel W., Harmon.
Metzger, Pfc. Charles, Cumberland.
Humphrey, Pvt. John E., Dowell.
Barr, S/Sergt. Vernon B., Hagerstown.
Spates, T/Sergt. George E., Rockville.
Mackey, T/5 Don S., Elkton.
Smith, T/5 James G., Emmittsburg.
Smith, T/5 John W., Libertytown.
Bozman, Pfc. Norris L., Salisbury.
Cooley, Pfc. Carl E., Takoma Park.
Holt, Pfc. Robert F., Rockville.
Butler, Pfc. Yaurice E., Jennings.
Hersberger, T/Sergt. Horace E., Poolesville.
Nichols, T/Sergt. Howard T., Salisbury.
Peabody, S/Sergt. William E., Hagerstown.
Bennett, T/5 Robert P., Mount Savage.
Kolpeck, Pfc. Lester H., Fulton.
Floyd, S/Sergt. Maurice J., Middletown.
Trader, T/4 Raymond, Stockton.
Clark, Pfc. John E., North East.
Horner, T/5 Vaughn B., Princess Ann.

Four Fairfax Offices Get Pay Increases

Salary increases for personnel in four Fairfax County elective offices have been approved by the State Compensation Board and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

The compensation board, while allowing some increases, denied the full amount asked by the commissioner of revenue the Commonwealth's attorney and sheriff. The supervisors have concurred in the board's recommendations.

Allowances approved for the commissioner of revenue office were: Salaries, Revenue Commissioner James U. Kincheloe, $7000; R. Sidney Wiley and Bessie V. Gainer, deputies, $2400 each; Graham James, deputy, $3180; Dorothy Croson, clerk, $1700; extra clerical assistance, $10,200; other expenses, $1500; total $28,380.

Approved for the treasurer's office was a $300 increase in the salary of Treasurer Lewis M. Coyner, bringing the total to $6800; clerical assistance, including extra assistance, $16,700; other expenses, $2000 for a total of $25,500.

Sheriff's office salaries were $5000, representing a $200 increase for Sheriff Eppa P. Kirby; $2700 for Deputy Floyd Kirby; $1800 for Deputy Walter Mitchell; $1800 for Jailer W. F. Lowe; $1500 for Secretary Mildred McMahan; $1020 for Jail Cook Mary E. Lowe, and $1190 in other expenses, making a total of $15,010.

Commonwealth's attorney's office salaries were $4800 for Commonwealth's Attorney Hugh B. Marsh, representing an increase of $300; $2400 for Assistant W. Lewis Leigh; $1550 for Secretary Eleanor L. Chesley; other expenses of $100 for a total of $8740.

Leader Installed By Pioneer Grange Of Falls Church

Don I. Dunn of Annandale has been installed as master of the Pioneer Grange of Falls Church. Dunn succeeds Edwin Lynch of Annandale.

Other officers named for 1946 include Robert Bovee, Fairfax, overseer; D. R. Beardsley, Alexandria, lecturer; Julian Slade, Falls Church, steward; E. K. Uhler, Annandale Acres, assistant steward; Mrs. John Murphy, Annandale, chaplain; Mrs. Gladys Hartley, Falls Church, treasurer; William Best, Annandale, secretary.

H. M. Gaston, Falls Church, gatekeeper; Mrs. Don Dunn, Annandale, Ceres; Evelyn Best, Annandale, Pomona; Mrs. Robert Bovee, Fairfax, Flora; Miss Rae Barefoot, Falls Church, lady assistant steward; Edwin Lynch, executive committeeman.

Easton Airport To Be Licensed

Baltimore, Dec. 22 (AP).—The State Aviation Commission, has announced it will soon license the Easton Airport as a class 2 field pending construction of a number of facilities.

State Aviation Commission Director Edward R. Fenimore said last night the license would probably be given around January 1. He added that through this move, Maryland Airlines, Inc., a charter service basing its operations on Easton, would be enabled to resume flights, halte drecently after the commission refused to license the field.

Mussolini Kin Given 14 Years as Fascist Aide

Milan, Dec. 22 (AP).—Vito Mussolini, nephew of the late Il Duce and editor of the newspaper Popolo d'Italia, was convicted today of helping to maintain Fascism and sentenced to 14 years imprisonment. He was absolved of a collaboration charge.

Sergeant Held For Espionage In Air Forces

San Rafael, Calif., Dec. 22 (AP).—A press statement issued by Army headquarters at Hamilton Field said today S/Sergt. Frank Hirt, 30, of the Air Forces, was being held at the field on a charge of conspiracy to commit espionage on behalf of Germany.

He wil be tried by court-martial within the next month at Hamilton Field, the Army statement said.

When arrested he and his wife were living at Petaluma, Calif. Army authorities accused Hirt of sending to Germany information about American military planes.

They said he admitted that he belonged to the Nazi Party in Germany and was a corporal in the SA, Hitler's storm troops.

Hirt, born in the United States, lived for many years in Germany with his grandparents. He returned to this country a few weeks before the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor and enlisted in the Army Air Forces.

The charge against him, the Army said, included the allegation that he was recruited, trained and financed in Germany for an espionage mission to this country by Karl Bauer, Nazi espionage agent, and that after his enlistment in the United States Air Force, he corresponded with active German agents, providing them with information on war planes.

Hirt was arrested many months ago and has been secretly held at Hamilton Field. His mother lived at North Babylon, Long Island, at the time of his enlistment in the Air Force.

Officers Elected

The Montgomery County Christian Union, which comprises nine societies, has elected Miss Evelyn Virts, president; Ira Ward and Betty Lou Miles, vice presidents; Miss Jane Hilliard, secretary, and Miss Frances Pumphrey, treasurer.

St. David's Chapel To Welcome Its New Vicar Today

The Rev. Albert E. Taylor, formerly rector of St. James Church, Dundee, Ill., today will be welcomed as new vicar of St. David's Chapel, Macomb and Klingle sts. nw.

That announcement came last night from Dr. Charles E. Warner, rector of St. Alban's Episcopal parish, of which St. David's is a mission. Dundee is a Chicago suburb.

The Rev. Mr. Taylor, a native of England, came to America shortly before World War I, and engaged in business for 20 years before entering the ministry. He studied at Seabury-Western Seminary, Chicago.

He was regimental chaplain of the Third Infantry, Illinois Reserve Militia, in World War II, with the rank of captain.

Danville, Va., Man En Route to China

Albert J. Slaughter of Danville, Va., formerly of Alexandria, left last night by air for San Francisco, Calif., en route to Shanghai, China, to become a highway engineer with the United Nations Rehabilitation and Relief Administration.

He said he expects to remain in China for five years. For the last three years he has been living in Danville.

Alumni Reunion

The second alumni reunion of Anacostia High School will be held at the school building, 16th and R sts. se., Thursday at 8 p. m., Alumni President Carl Gerber announced yesterday.

'Unbiased' Unit Asks Pay Hike For Va. Solons

Richmond, Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—A report of the Virginia Advisory Legislative Council advocating a substantial increase in the compensation of members of the General Assembly actually was not approved by the nine members of the VALC, but was prepared by a subcommittee and submitted to the General Assembly without recommendation of the council, the division of statutory research and drafting stated today.

Breaking precedent established over many years, the VALC did not assume responsibility for the report released yesterday. This report was prepared by a six-man committee appointed by the VALC but including no members of the General Assembly.

The subcommittee was composed of C. O'Conor Goolrick, former State senator of Fredericksburg; B. Raymond Pinchbeck, dean of the University of Richmond; H. A. Ford of Martinsville, Overton D. Dennis of Richmond, Arthur Davidson, editor of the Northern Virginia Daily of Strasburg, and Samuel T. Northern of Norfolk. These men were appointed by the council "in order to avoid any imputation of bias or expression of interest."

The committee organized with Goolrick as its chairman and submitted a report to the full Virginia Advisory Legislative Council last week, in which a raise of pay from $720 per regular session to $1200 per two-year term in office was made. Accompanying the recommendation was a proposed bill embodying the suggestions, among them a provision that the mileage allowance be reduced for members of the Assembly and that pay for special sessions be cut from $12 to $10 per day, payable only for days actually served.

Legal Contracts Topic WINX Lawyer Program

Legal contracts will be discussed on the twenty-fourth program of "The Lawyer Speaks" series to be heard over station WINX tonight at 7:30. Harry L. Ryan, jr., of the District Bar, will be moderator.

The panel will include Francis J. Kelly, Jacob Sandler, Nathan M. Lubar, Leonard S. Melrod, and Arthur L. Wilcher.

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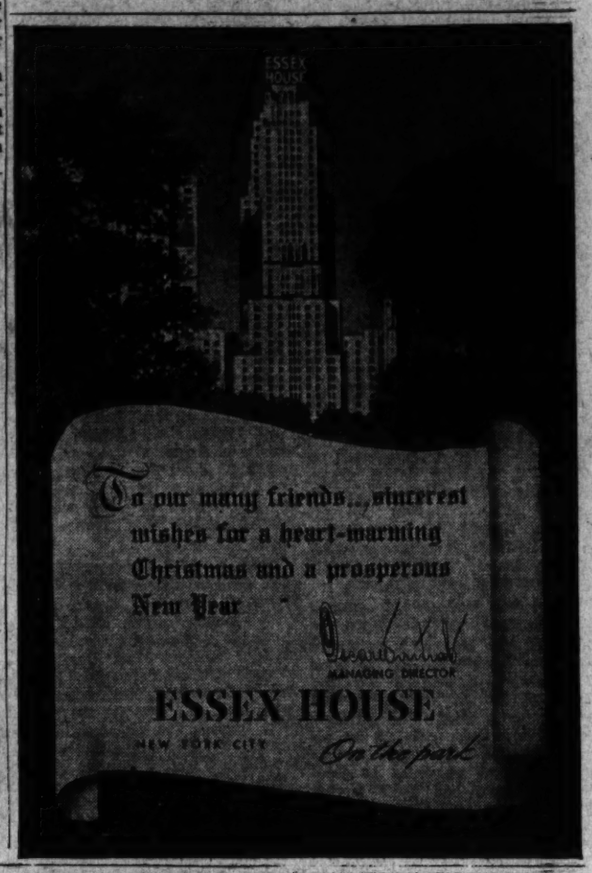
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4 of 93 Injured In Homes of District Die

A 5-year-old child who became seriously ill after drinking whisky was among 93 District residents given hospital care last week as a result of home mishaps.

Four deaths were reported by the Red Cross Accident Prevention Service, including: a 2-year-old child and a 54-year-old man who died of burns caused by oil stove explosions, an infant who died of mechanical suffocation and a woman of 84 who died of burns received from an electric pad on which she had slept all night.

Persons injured included: a child who stuffed tinfoil in his ears, a 3-year-old who drank paint remover, a child who tripped over a stick and fell on a broken milk bottle, a man who fell three stories while washing windows, six adults who fell on icy steps.

A breakdown on accidents requiring hospitalization showed: falls, 37; burns, 14; cuts and lacerations, 24; miscellaneous, 18.

Fire Chief's Home Ablaze in W. Va.

Montgomery, W. Va., Dec 22 (AP). Trouble came home to West Virginia firemen today.

Montgomery Fire Chief Roger Noroviskie and his men responded to an alarm. They got to the scene just after the chief's wife had led their three children to safety from the blazing Noroviskie home.

Meanwhile, the Nutter Fort department called the neighboring Clarksburg fire fighters to come and put out a blaze in the building housing Nutter Fort's newly-purchased fire truck. The truck was badly damaged.

Winter Wheat Crop In Va. at Low Level

Richmond, Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—Virginia's winter wheat seeded crop, intended for harvest in 1946, is estimated at 501,000 acres, 11 per cent below the 1944 fall seeded acreage and 14 per cent less than the 10-year (1934-43) average, the Virginia Cooperative Crop Reporting Service announced today.

With the exception of the 1942 and 1943 acreages, this year's crop is the smallest winter wheat acreage seeded in the 81 years of Virginia wheat records, the report stated. A December 1 reported crop condition of 87 per cent indicated a 1946 yield of 7,766,000 bushels.

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CHITTUM, CLAIRIE H. On Thursday, December 20, 1945, CLAIRIE H. CHITTUM, of 1453 Chapin st. nw., wife of John H. Chittum and mother of Mrs. Phyllis C. James and Mrs. Frances C. Johnson. Services at the S. H. Hines Co. funeral home, 2901 14th st. nw., on Monday, December 24, at 11:30 a. m. Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

COLLINS, THOMAS HENRY, SR. On Friday, December 21, 1945, THOMAS HENRY COLLINS, SR., beloved husband of Nannie L. Collins of 8400 Georgetown rd., Bethesda, Md. Funeral services at the Bethesda-Chevy Chase funeral home of Wm. Reuben Pumphrey Monday, December 24, at 10:30 a. m. Interment Rock Creek Cemetery.

CROUCH, MARY L. (May). On Thursday, December 20, 1945, at Providence Hospital, MARY L. (May) CROUCH of 2233 Mount View pl. se., the wife of the late Albert D. Crouch and the beloved mother of Albert A. Crouch and grandmother of Albert J. Crouch. Remains resting at Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., until Monday, December 24, at 9 a. m., thence to St. Theresa's Catholic Church, 13th and V sts. se., where mass will be offered at 9:30 a. m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

DAY, Tech. Sergt. LESLIE A. On Friday, December 21, 1945, at Bolling Field Hospital, Tech. Sergt. LESLIE A. DAY, the beloved husband of Arminta J. Day and father of Doris J. and Richard L. Day and son of Arthur L. and Clara V. Day, brother of Mrs. Bertha Kasulke, Mrs. Edith Auth, Mrs. Katherine Auth. Services at Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., on Monday, December 24, at 10 a. m. Interment Episcopal Church Cemetery, Forestville, Md.

EFANTIS, JOHN. On Thursday, December 20, 1945, at Providence Hospital, JOHN EFANTIS of 901 5th st. ne., beloved father of Mrs. Angelina Kalhas, Sophie Papageorge and Nicholas Efantis. Funeral from the Timothy Hanlon funeral home, 641 H st. ne., on Monday, December 24, at 1:30 p. m. Services at SS. Constantine and Helen Church, 6th and C sts. sw., at 2 p. m. Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery. Relatives and friends invited.

HEUMANN, BENNO. On Friday, December 21, 1945, BENNO HEUMANN, beloved husband of Rose Heumann. Funeral services at the Bernard Danzansky & Son funeral home, 3501 14th st. nw., on Monday, December 24, at 11 a. m. Interment Washington Hebrew Congregation Cemetery.

HORENSTEIN, PESACH PHILIP. On Thursday, December 20, 1945, PESACH PHILIP HORENSTEIN, beloved father of Max and Jacob Horenstein, Morris O. Horen, Mrs. Esther Sacks and Mrs. Anna Smallwood. Funeral services at the Bernard Danzansky & Son funeral home, 3501 14th st. nw., on Sunday, December 23, at 9:30 a. m. Interment Adas Israel Cemetery.

KAHANOV, LEON. On Wednesday, December 19, 1945, at West Palm Beach, Fla., LEON KAHANOV, aged 83 years, brother of Mrs. Masha Deskin, Mrs. Lillian Reamer of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Rebecca Klugman of New York. Funeral services at the Bernard Danzansky & Son funeral home, 3501 14th st. nw., on Sunday, December 23, at 12 noon. Interment Tifereth Israel Cemetery.

KAY, SAMUEL. On Thursday, December 20, 1945, at his residence, 1325 Randolph st. nw., SAMUEL KAY, beloved father of Mrs. Lillian Eisman and David N. Kay, USN. He is also survived by four brothers, Harry, Benjamin, Max and Maurice Kay and two sisters, Mrs. Ida Sherman and Mrs. Rose Robins. Funeral services at the Bernard Danzansky & Son funeral home, 3501 14th st. nw., on Sunday, December 23, at 2 p. m. Interment Chev Sholom Cemetery.

LEIZEAR, CHARLES H. On Thursday, December 20, 1945, at his residence, 137 Garrett ave., Beltsville, Md., CHARLES H. LEIZEAR, the beloved husband of the late Lillian Leizear (nee Howbell) and stepfather of George R. and William J. Talbott and Mrs. Blanche Flora and brother of Samuel and Lodge Leizear. Remains resting at Chambers Riverdale funeral home until Sunday, December 23, at 1 p. m. Funeral from the Colesville Methodist Church, Colesville, Md., at 2 p. m. Interment at Colesville Church Cemetery.

MOORE, THOMAS F. On Friday, December 21, 1945, THOMAS F. MOORE, son of Alice and the late Edward Moore and brother of Milton, Edward, John, Michael, James Henry Moore, Mrs. A. Spalding, Mrs. John Sutphin and Mrs. J. P. Hurd. Services at the Saffell funeral home, 475 H st. nw., on Monday, December 24, at 9:45 a. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Arlington National Cemetery.

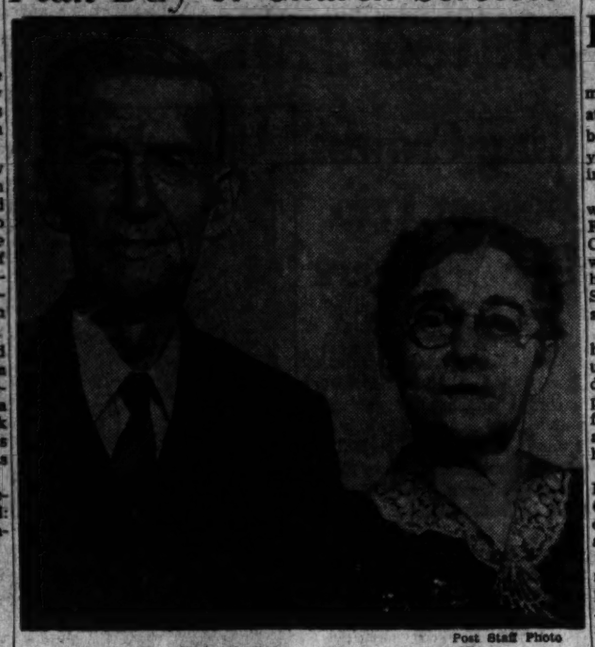
OATES, JAMES F. On Friday, December 21, 1945, at Gallinger Hospital, JAMES F. OATES, beloved husband of Alice Oates and brother of William J. Oates. Friends may call at his late residence, 1609 D st. se., where services will be held on Monday, December 24, at 11 a. m. Friends invited. Interment Cedar Hill Cemetery.

PHELPS, CLYDE GLENN. On Friday, December 21, 1945, at his residence, 50 Randolph pl. nw., CLYDE GLENN PHELPS, beloved husband of Helen C. Phelps, father of Mrs. Evelyn Hodson, Mrs. Warrena Shotwell, Albert C. and James K. Phelps, brother of Mrs. Thelma Soldman. Remains resting at Chambers funeral home, 1400 Chapin st. nw. Funeral Monday, December 24, at 11 a. m. Funeral private.

SHORTS, JOHN JAMES. On Friday, December 21, 1945, at his residence, 1356 Bay st. se., JOHN JAMES SHORTS, beloved husband of Mrs. Addie Shorts and father of M. Daniel and Rhael Andersen of Union City, Pa. Friends may call at the Lee funeral home, 4th st. and Mass. ave. ne. Interment Lyons, Pa.

WATTS, ROBERT C. On Friday, December 21, 1945, at his residence, 1010 5th st. nw., ROBERT C. WATTS, beloved husband of May A. Watts and father of Olin E. Watts, brother of George Watts and Mrs. James Marvel and friend of Ethel M. A. Fowler. Remains resting at the above residence until 9:30 a. m. Monday, December 24, thereafter at the Church of The Good Shepherd, 60th and Eye st. ne., where services will be held at 9 a. m. Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery. Services by Chambers.

Couple Married 60 Years, Plan Day of Church Services



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MR. AND MRS. DANIEL R. SHAFFER

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Shaffer, who were honeymooning on Christmas, 1885, yesterday looked forward to celebrating their sixtieth Christmas together.

A religious-minded couple, they plan to attend services this morning at Keller Memorial Lutheran Church, 9th st. and Maryland ave. ne., where they have been members 27 years. Tonight they will follow their Sunday custom of worshiping at Reformation Lutheran Church, 212 East Capitol st., directly behind their home at 225 A st. ne.

Shaffer said yesterday that "living up to Christian standards" is their recipe for happy marriage. To which his wife added this compliment:

"He is a grand Christian man and tries to help me whenever he can. He is certainly a helpmate. I wouldn't know what to do without him."

Shaffer, who retired from his Government job eight years ago, claims to be the first person to be pensioned from the folding room of the House Office Building.

"I kept my job there even through the changes of Administration," said Shaffer, "and only lost two weeks work in 19 years."

Mr. and Mrs. Shaffer came to Washington 27 years ago after living 27 years at Herndon, near Harrisburg, Pa. He was a tobacco manufacturer. They were married December 20, 1885, in a Lutheran parsonage at Urban, near Herndon. He is 86, and she, 80. Their only child died in infancy.

Both have been active in church circles for many years. Mrs. Shaffer taught an adult Bible class at Keller Church for 15 years, and was a Sunday school teacher in Herndon 22 years. Shaffer is the oldest member of the Wiles Bible class of Keller Church, in age and point of service.

"He hasn't missed a half dozen Sunday School sessions in 27 years here," says Mrs. Shaffer.

Virginia Whisky Ration Unchanged

Richmond, Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—Virginians will be allowed the same amount of whisky during January as they were in December, but several changes in the "dividend" list will be made, it was announced today.

The Old American brand, a "dividend" liquor for several months, will be placed on the regular ration list in January and Singing Sam brand, a corn whisky; Town Club, a 100-proof current-age whisky; Stone Mountain, 100-proof corn, and oJhn Henry, a blend, will be added to private stock as "dividends."

As in the first few months the current coupons, in January the two numbered 70, will be good for two fifths or two pints of domestic whiskies or for one quart, or one bottle of bottled-in-bond and imported items.

An additional half coupon in the back of the ration book will be good for one pint of domestic whisky other than bottled-in-bond and a second half coupon will become good for a fifth of one of the five "dividends."

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Millionth GI At G St. USO Royally Feted

An Army Air Forces private, the millionth GI to visit the USO Club at 1736 G st. nw., since Pearl Harbor, had "everything on the house" yesterday as his first trip to Washington got under way.

When Pfc. Roger Smith, a prewar rancher, arrived from Langley Field, Va., to spend his 10-day Christmas furlough, he thought it would be rather dreary so far from his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Smith, and five brothers and four sisters in May, Texas.

Soon after he entered the USO he was introduced to the club's pin-up girl for the year, who was his date for the National's matinee performance of "The Winter Tale," for dinner at the Roger Smith Hotel and for the club's formal dance honoring the couple last night.

The girl, Lois Apple, of 4686 Homer ave. se., a secretary in the Coast and Geodetic Survey, was chosen "Pin-Up Girl of the Year" at a formal dance last Saturday.

Private Smith also was given money to cover incidentals and a pink camelia corsage for Miss Apple. In between, he took out for a call to the folks back home to wish them a merry Christmas.

After the last dance there was a room reserved at the YWCA for the millionth serviceman.

Dr. Nance Appointed B. & O. Medical Director

Baltimore, Dec. 22 (AP).—The appointment of Dr. Fuller Nance as medical an dsurgical director of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad system was announced today by Russell L. Snodgrass, vice president of the company.

Dr. Nance succeeds the late Dr. E. V. Milholland. He became assistant medical examiner at Baltimore in 1917 and has been with the railroad company since that time.

Md. Taxpayers To Get Help From Visiting Deputies

Baltimore, Dec. 22 (AP).—Taxpayers in Maryland counties could look forward to assistance next month from visiting deputies of the Collector of Internal Revenue for the Maryland District in preparing amended estimated income tax returns for 1945, Collector George Hofferbert said yesterday.

These returns must be filed by January 15, he added. The deputies also will aid in preparation of final returns for 1945 income when requested by taxpayers, Hofferbert said.

Unlike other taxpayers who were required to file original estimates of 1945 income before last March 15, farmers have until January 15, the collector assertde. He added that farmers also could file final returns for 1945 by January 15, if thye wished, although they were not required to do so before March 15.

Haw Haw to Die Jan. 3

London, Dec. 22 (U.P.).—The British Home Office announced today that William Joyce, Lord Haw Haw of the German radio, will be executed at Wandsworth Prison in southwest London on January 3 for treason.

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Gallinger Gets Permit to Hire Cadet Nurses

The District Commissioners yesterday announced they had authorized Gallinger Hospital to obtain 90 cadet nurses in an effort to combat substandard nursing now offered by the institution.

Gallinger Superintendent Alvin R. Sweeney said he would immediately contact hospitals which offer 36-month training courses under the federally sponsored Cadet Nurse Corps program. The hospitals will be asked to assign nurses to Gallinger for the final six-month period of practical experience required before graduation, Dr. Sweeney explained.

The municipal hospital has been authorized to pay $65 a month, including maintenance, for senior cadets. Dr. Sweeney said he expected to begin using cadets March 1, when many classes will finish the 36-month training period.

Gallinger is so short-handed, Dr. Sweeney admitted yesterday, that substandard nursing is being offered in all departments except a number of communicable disease wards.

The use of 90 cadets will not bring nursing up to standard but will provide a "tremendous improvement in service nevertheless, he said. He explained that the hospital now provides only one sixth the necessary nursing care for surgery patients, about one third the care required in the nursery and the rapid treatment center for venereal diseases and less than one half that required for maternity cases.

Funds wil be taken from savings realized as a result of vacant posts. The hospital has 91 vacancies in its authorized staff of 212 student nurses and 42 vacancies in its staff of 135 graduates.

Dr. Sweeney said the senior cadet nurses will not only increase the morale of the hospital's existing staff, but also possibly decide to join the permanent staff after completing their training. Not one of the hospital's nurses in the military service has returned, he pointed out, while efforts to recruit new workers show little result despite the end of the war.

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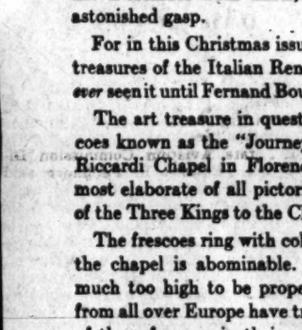

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Lieut. Grossi Reported Dead in Germany

Purcellville, Va., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Frederick F. Grossi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mercer Love of Purcellville, received news this week of the death of her husband, Lieut. Grossi. In a telegram from the War Department, Mrs. Grossi learned that her husband died in Germany on December 9. Details were not reported.

Lieut. Grossi served with the chemical warfare division for four years, the last 16 months of which he spent overseas, in England and Germany. A former resident of Far Hills, N. J., Lieut. Grossi holds a master's degree in chemistry. He had formerly been doing graduate work at the University of Virginia.

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IF artist Benozzo Gozzoli were alive this week and saw the December 24th LIFE, he would probably give an astonished gasp.

For in this Christmas issue, one of the most famous art treasures of the Italian Renaissance is seen as no one had *ever* seen it until Fernand Bourges photographed it for LIFE.

The art treasure in question is the entire series of frescoes known as the "Journey of the Magi" in the Medici-Riccardi Chapel in Florence. Painted in 1459, it is the most elaborate of all pictorial representations of the visit of the Three Kings to the Christ Child.

The frescoes ring with color and beauty. But lighting in the chapel is abominable. In addition, the frescoes are much too high to be properly seen. And though experts from all over Europe have tried to make color photographs of these frescoes in their entirety, the chapel is so small that it was apparently impossible to do so.

To take these "untakable" pictures, Fernand Bourges and LIFE Art Researcher Philippa Gerry lugged 900 pounds of equipment from the U.S., rigged up special cables, built platforms, and even resorted to mirrors.

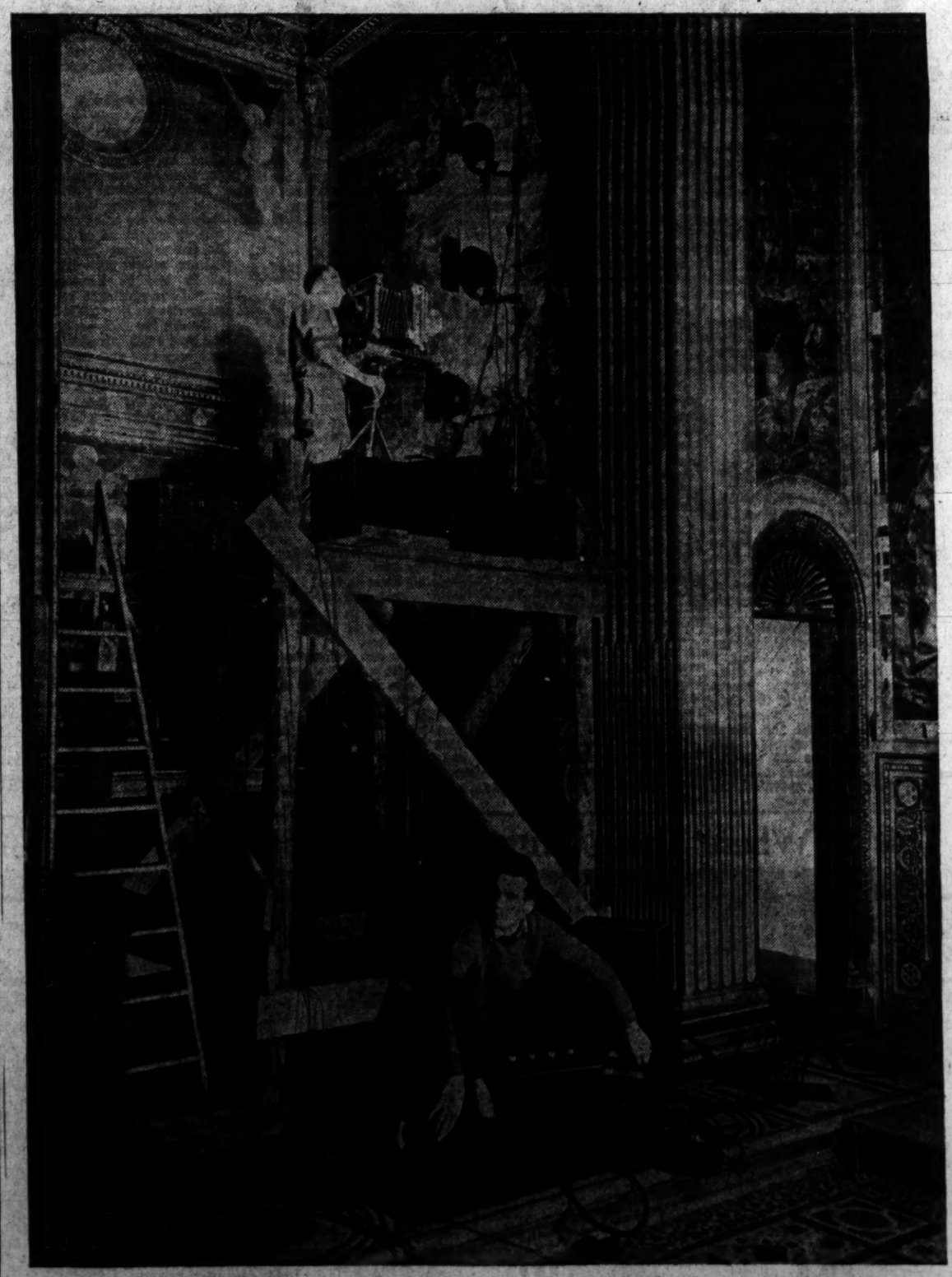
With typical ingenuity LIFE got the pictures. The resulting panorama—LIFE's "Merry Christmas" to its readers—gives a far more brilliant impression of this masterpiece than a visit to the chapel itself.

The long planning and infinite care that went into this Christmas presentation are by no means unusual in LIFE's continuing program of bringing fine art to the more than 22,000,000 people who read LIFE each week.

The painstaking effort that goes into all LIFE stories plays a telling part in making each issue an eagerly awaited source of pleasure and information to the largest weekly magazine audience in publication history.

LIFE

If you have received word that LIFE is being given to you this Christmas for the first time, but no copy has reached you by next Friday . . . you can still see and have the portfolio of Benozzo Gozzoli's paintings, as reproduced in the Christmas issue, by writing to LIFE, Dept. E, TIME and LIFE Bldg., 9 Rockefeller Plaza, N. Y.



To get enough current for his 4000-watt lights, Bourges (on scaffold, above) stretched heavy cables 150 feet to main line. To keep it from fluctuating, assistant (sitting on floor) had to keep adjusting keys of resistor as though, Bourges says, he were playing the piano. This small, jewel-like chapel with its marble floor and magnificent frescoes is one of the most beautiful of all Renaissance interiors. But Gozzoli himself never saw his frescoes as 22 million people will see them in this week's LIFE. It is one of the miracles of the history of art that Gozzoli could have painted these frescoes, working as he must have with candles and lamps above, viewing one small section at a time in the faintly lit chapel. Medici-Riccardi Chapel has no natural light, as its windows do not open on the outside. Dim electric bulbs behind its windows and a fixture in the ceiling supply the only light.

Bourges (above) took Kodachromes of each shot in addition to separation negatives, made written color notes. Bourges owns 10 cameras, designed and built some of them himself. To take two of these "untakable" pictures, Bourges had to jam camera against walls, look at ground glass through mirror. Such ingenuity and thoroughness play an important part in making LIFE so interesting, help explain its tremendous popularity.

This Morning

With Shirley Povich

To Whom It May Concern:

Eight Redskins were barred from the voting when the players met last week to split up their shares of the playoff game with the Cleveland Rams . . . The barred players were men who joined the club late in the season but they were eligible for the playoff game, and under the league rules they had a right to participate in the voting on shares . . . Russ Hodges, WOL's ace sports broadcaster, is New York bound, and will team with Mel Allen in broadcasting the baseball games at Yankee Stadium next summer. He will also broadcast play-by-play for the New York football Yankees in the All-America Conference next season . . . The late Col. Emery (Swede) Larsen, former Navy coach who succumbed to a heart attack last month, was preparing to retire from the Marines and accept a post as athletic director at the University of Washington . . .

POVICH

As the newly-appointed chairman of the District Boxing Commission, Heinie Miller now assumes all of the powers he used to exercise as Commission secretary and chief policy-maker . . . The Detroit Tigers are still trying to trade First Baseman Rudy York to the Nots for First Baseman Mickey Vernon, and the St. Louis Browns are offering Pitcher Sid Jakucki in exchange for Pitcher Alex Carrasquel.

Four Irish-bred horses are now on the high seas en route to the Santa Anita track, where they have been entered for the $100,000 handicap on March 4. The race has twice been won by foreign-breds, Azucar in 1935, and Kayak II in 1939 . . . On tour with a baseball barnstorming troupe at the end of last season, Jeff Heath impersonated Babe Ruth by sting a pillow beneath his baseball shirt to give him a Ruthian paunch, walking with the famed mincing steps of the Babe and otherwise mimicking Ruth's actions at the plate. In two of his three appearances as an impersonator of Ruth, he knocked home runs over the rightfield fence . . . Pitcher Walter Masterson and Catcher Al Evans of the Nats, after a short-lived plunge into the dry cleaning business in Washington, have cashed in their chips and retired . . . Every newspaperman at the major leagues recent meeting, including this one, neglected to ask Commissioner Happy Chandler how come Branch Rickey is associated in the All-America Fotball Conference with Bill Cox, who was barred from baseball by Judge Landis for getting on games . . . When the Redskins lost to Cleveland by one point in the playoff game, it cost Head Coach Dud De Groot a $2500 bonus his contract calls for in the event of a title.

The Redskins didn't wear tennis shoes on the icy field at Cleveland because of De Groot's pre-game agreement with Coach Adam Walsh of the Rams. Fact is, the Rams out-smarted the Redskins in wangling the agreement because, unlike the Washington team, they had no rubber-soled shoes available . . . Lou Rymkus, the Notre Dame lad, who was the Redskins' best tackle in 1942 before entering the service, has jumped to the Chicago club of the All-America Conference along with Willie Wilkin of the Redskins . . . Steve Bagarus, who is nimble of mind as well of feet, now reckons that he rates double the salary the Redskins paid him last season, and has asked for it. Always implied, of course, is the threat that he would jump to the new league. If Bob Waterfield of the Cleveland Rams has indeed signed a three-year contract calling for $20,000 a season, he now tops Sammy Baugh as the highest-paid pro football player. Baugh draws $2000 per game during the regular season, and was actually playing at cut-rates inthe championship game at Cleveland which netted each Redskin something over $900 . . . Redskin players voted their clubhouse boy, Kelly Miller, a full share.

Bill McGowan told the Touchdown Club he once advised Rookie Manager Ossie Bluege not to be shy about demanding his rights from the umpires. "And the first time he squawked he was so violent I had to throw him out of the game" . . . In 1943, Bluege was ejected also by Umpire George Pipgras. "You must have cussed him," said a baseball writer. "I didn't," said Bluege. "All I told him was, 'you know what Bucky Harris called you all last season; well, the same thing goes for me" . . . The Aga Khan, reported to be so rich he is literally worth his weight in gold, recently sold two thoroughbreds, Star Dust and Tehran, for $848,000 to breeding syndicates . . . According to Look Magazine's forecast for 1946, the Louis-Conn fight will produce a five-million-dollar gate, including television, radio and movie rights; the Yankees will beat out Boston for the American League pennant, and jet-propelled autos will figure in the Indainapolis Speedwya's 500-mile race . . . Joe Di Maggio has turned author and his book, "Lucky to be a Yankee," will be ready for distribution on January 27.

Handley High Will Compete In Va. Class B Grid in 1946

Winchester, Va., Dec. 22.—The Handley Judges, undefeated and untied on the gridiron this season, will enter the State Class B high school competition next year.

A seven-team conference was organized at Harrisonburg recently, with plans to compete in basketball and track in addition to football. Teams in the conference in addition to Handley and Harrisonburg are Waynesboro, Lexington, Clifton Forge, Covington, Staunton and Warren County High School at Front Royal.

Handley will not compete on the hardwoods until the 1946-47 season, having already arranged this season's basketball schedule with teams in the Tri-State area.

It was decided by representatives of the schools that the basketball and football schedules will remain the same each year, the only difference being in the city in which the games are played.

The conference basketball championship will be decided each spring at a tournament among the four top teams to be held at Washington-Lee.

It was decided to hold the District track meet at VMI on April 20.

Handley, which participated in the Cumberland Valley Athletic League prior to the war, because of restrictions on travel, will meet only one out-of-State grid foe next year, continuing their long rivalry with Martinsburg on Thanksgiving Day.

1946 Football Schedule

October 4—Waynesboro, away; 11—Lexington, here; 18—Harrisonburg, here; 25—Clifton Forge, away.

November 1—Covington, here; 8—Staunton, away; 15—Warren County, away; 28—Martinsburg, here.

Nelson Averages 68 Strokes in 1945

New York, Dec. 22 (AP).—Byron Nelson, selected recently as the No. 1 athlete of 1945 in an Associated Press poll, averaged 68.33 strokes per round for 120 rounds of major tournament golf during the year, PGA Tournament Manager Fred Corcoran announced today.

Nelson won 19 tournaments, including the National PGA and was runner-up in seven others. It was the second straight year in which he has averaged less than 70 strokes per round. In the past four years he has finished in the money in 102 consecutive tournaments.

Brigham Young Cagers Make Tour of Nation

Provo, Utah, Dec. 21 (AP).—Twelve players will accompany Coach Floyd Millet of Brigham Young University on a basketball barnstorming tour through the East and Midwest during the Christmas holidays.

Brigham Young's Cougars leave Sunday for games with Manhattan, Canisius, Northwestern, Loyola of Chicago and Valparaiso.

Touchdown Will Honor 'Bo' McMillin

Alvin (Bo) McMillin, popular coach of Indiana University's Big Ten championship football team of 1945, will be honored as coach of the year at the Hotel Statler on Tuesday night, January 8, when the Touchdown Club of Washington features its annual dinner before an overflow audience.

The dinner is a complete sellout and Chairman Lieut. Col. Joseph Escude announces that it has been necessary to reject thousands of additional applications for reservations.

McMillin will be the recipient of the Arthur J. Bergman Founders' Trophy, a new award presented by "Dutch" Bergman, first president and founder of the local organization in 1935. This trophy will be presented annually to the coach of the year.

Awards previously announced will find West Point's brilliant back, Felix (Doc) Blanchard, honored with the Walter Camp Memorial Trophy as outstanding college player of the year; Richard Duden, Navy end, with the Knute Rockne Memorial Trophy reserved for the No. 1 college lineman; Halfback Steve Juzwik, Fleet City (Calif.) Marines, with the Lieut. Bob Smith Memorial Trophy given the top service player; Quarterback Bob Waterfield, Cleveland Rams, the Touchdown Club's Trophy donated the outstanding professional player, and a special trophy voted the New York Giants' center, Mel Hein, in recognition of his years of service to pro football.

Cabinet officers, military and civic leaders and high-ranking Government officials and sports celebrities are numbered prominently among those who will attend the dinner.

Set Speed Skate Meet

Newburgh, N. Y., Dec. 22 (U.P.).—The twenty-fifth Middle Atlantic outdoor speed skating championships will be held here January 20, Chairman Harry Cohen announced today.

Fire-Truck Ride Given Mo. Squad

Dallas, Dec. 22 (AP).—The University of Missouri football squad, 36 strong, rolled into Dallas today to open practice for its Cotton Bowl game January 1 with the University of Texas.

A delegation from the Cotton Bowl Athletic Association, city government and Chamber of Commerce was at the station to greet the Tigers, who brought along a rabbit's foot apiece for good luck.

Th squad was loaded onto fire trucks for the ride to their hotel.

A workout planned for this afternoon was called off when equipment failed to arrive.

Full of fight and each blessed with the left hind foot of a rabbit killed in a graveyard by a cross-eyed Negro on a Friday midnight, the Big Six Conference champions left Kansas City last night. Each of the 36 carried a furry magic piece provided by R. E. Lucas of Columbia, Mo., veteran Mizzou follower.

Tide in Stiff Drill

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Dec. 22 (AP).—A stiff workout yesterday ended Alabama's pre-California practice as the team made ready for the Rose Bowl journey tomorrow.

Coach Frank Thomas said the hard work "was just what we needed, but you can't get two weeks practice in one afternoon." Rain and snow had made outdoor work impossible for most of the practice periods since December 10, when practice was resumed.

Most of the victims of the influenza outbreak were back in uniform yesterday, and Thomas said he hoped all of the men would be able to leave with the team tomorrow. He had been afraid that several would have to be left behind, and brought to the coast after recovery.

The squad for the Rose Bowl trip will be announced tonight. Three complete teams will go.

Coach Denies Kelly Story

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 22 (AP).—Coach Ed McKeever described as "news to me" a report that Navy Football Player Bob Kelly would try to enter Cornell University.

Kelly, who starred as a halfback with Notre Dame in 1944, visited McKeever here last summer.

A Navy spokesman at Annapolis said yesterday that Kelly, a patient at the Naval Hospital recovering from injuries received during the football season, had asked to resign from the Naval Academy.

Earlier, Bob's father, Representative Edward A. Kelly (D., Ill.), said his son would return to Notre Dame if released by the Navy, and Kelly said he may try to enter Cornell.

Wade Assumes Duties

Durham, N. C., Dec. 22 (AP).—Wallace Wade, builder of bowl teams, will return to his old post as head football coach at Duke University January 1.

At the same time, Eddie Cameron, who coached the Blue Devils while Wade was in the Army, will become director of athletics in a job swap announced by Dean William H. Wannamaker of the university.

Upon his return from military service last fall, Wade was made director of athletics and Cameron became football coach in his own right.

California Also Bans Tom Smith From Race Tracks

Los Angeles, Dec. 22 (AP).—The California Horse Racing Board has barred Trainer Tom Smith of the Maine Chance Farms from visiting his stable at Santa Anita Race Track because of his one year suspension by the New York board on a charge of stimulating Magnific Duel.

The action was automatic under a reciprocal agreement between the two State boards prohibiting a trainer suspended in one State from training in the other, Secretary W. C. Buchanan of the California Racing Board explained.

Smith had visited the Maine Chance horses yesterday and Thursday before the ban was imposed. He had denied the New York charges and appealed the New York Board's order.

McAfee Signs for Three Years With Bears as Halas Sings

GEORGE McAFEE, again back with Bears

Chicago, Dec. 22 (INS).—George (One Play) McAfee, the galloping halfback from Duke University who became an instant star in professional football, today signed a new, three-year contract with the Chicago Bears.

Owner George Halas announced that McAfee had followed Quarterback Sid Luckman into the fold, and declared:

"This move sews up the greatest halfback in the game for the Bears and the National Football League, for there are many imitations, and many seconds, but only one George McAfee."

Halas was jubilant as he announced that McAfee definitely will be in the Bears' lineup next fall, and expressed belief that with McAfee and Luckman as the nucleus, Chicago might well have a team the equal of the star 1941 outfit.

McAfee joined the Bears in 1940, and tstarted off with a flourish—a 91-yard touchdown runback of a punt the first time he had his hands on the ball. In 1941 he averaged 7.3 yards every time he carried the ball and was a unanimous choice for the All-League team.

After nearly four years in the Navy, McAfee rejoied the Bears in November and in his first game scored three touchdowns against the Pittsburgh Steelers.

He is one of football's fastest. At Duke, the Irontown Flier ran the 100-yard dash in an official 9.7 seconds.

Lions Suspend Lubeck in Big Team Shake-up

A drastic team shake-up, an attempt to acquire many new players and the indefinite suspension of Winger Nestor Lubeck for indifferent play were announced by Coach Maxie Bennett as he pointed his Washington Lions for tonight's Eastern Hockey League match with Baltimore's Clippers in Baltimore.

Bennett said that he had placed Lubeck under suspension until further notice because he feels that the lightning-fast forward has played far below the form of which he is capable. Lubeck was one of the finest skaters and the hottest scoring men in the Eastern League while skating for the second place Baltimore Blades last season.

Bennett expects to have many new players in his lineup when the Lions return to Uline ice against the New York Rovers Friday night; meet the Olympics in Boston Saturday, and the Rovers again in New York next Sunday afternoon.

Owner Mike Uline and Bennett speeded their search for players yesterday when they not only resumed negotiations with the Montreal Canadiens and Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League, but also established contact with Owners Al Sutphin of the Cleveland Barons, John H. Harris of the Pittsburgh Hornets, and C. D. P. Hamilton of the St. Louis Flyers of the American League.

Some immediate action is expected from the Pittsburgh and St. Louis clubs, and players probably will start pouring into Uline Arena immediately.

The Lions will work out daily during the Christmas holidays except on Christmas day, and will be ordered to bear down with their best as efforts are speeded toward a revision that will produce a scoring punch missing to date.

Meanwhile, the Lions must either defeat or tie the Clippers in Baltimore tonight to escape undisputed possession of the Eastern League's cellar.

Twenty Thirty Wins Feature At Gulfstream

Gulfstream Park, Fla., Dec. 22 (AP).—Twenty Thirty, a tiny coal-black filly which H. C. Hatch, the Canadian distiller, acquired from Arnold Hanger during the recent Pimlico meeting for a reported $15,000, today scored her second triumph in as many local starts when she defeated ten other 2-year-olds in the Fountain of Youth Handicap.

The well-named daughter of Eight Thirty (twenty thirty, in the Navy's lingo, means eight thirty) was a $7.10 for $2 choice and drove first home by two lengths to earn $3200 of the $5000 purse. W. W. Adams' Flag Drill saved the place, a half length before Louisiana Farm's Best Dress.

Showers fell most of the day and made the track good. Twenty Thirty, smallest but "runningest" horse in the mile and 70 yard tussle, was timed in 1:45 1-5 under the Canadian veteran, Bobby Watson.

The attendance was estimated at 10,300.

Flag Drill dashed into a length and a half lead in the scramble for positions, with Watson keeping Twenty Thirty under light wraps in the runner-up spot. The diminutive filly drew up to the pacemakers' withers as they began the backstretch run, while Best Dress was rated third, close by.

Twenty Thirty gained a narrow lead as they swung into the front straightaway and gradually drew away under pressure while Flag Drill, though tiring fast, staved off Best Dress. Goblin was a belated fourth.

Hunch players began this December 22 in style when the No. 2 horse on the program won the first three races, the first two winners producing a popular $32.20 daily double.

Tarheels Lead Conference With 2 Wins

Richmond, Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—North Carolina's Tarheels, aided by Tom Dillon and Jim Jordan, are setting the pace in the Southern Conference race for the current season.

The Tarheels notched their second league victory last night by defeating South Carolina, 56-32, at Chapel Hill. Bob Paxton, workhorse center, was high-point man with 21 points, close guarding keeping Jordan from getting off on a scoring spree. Dillon at present leads his team in total number of points scored with 104 for the five games engaged in by North Carolina. He also is pacing all conference scorers.

Duke has one conference victory to its credit, a 50-23 win over Davidson, also humbled by the Tarheels earlier in the year.

While a number of other conference teams have participated in some preliminary warmup games, Duke, North and South Carolina and Davidson are the only league teams who have seen conference action.

Post-AAU Battle of Belts Slated Jan. 25-Feb. 20

Ring Crowns, Boston Trip For Winners

By Al Costello
Post Staff Writer.

The third annual Washington Post-D. C. A. A. U. Battle of Belts boxing championships this year will be held January 25, February 1 and 8 for the preliminary rounds; semifinals February 15, and the grand finale, when 16 champions will be crowned, February 20.

In once again joining hands with the District of Columbia Amateur Athletic Union in sponsoring the city's most important amateur boxing event of the year which designates the official D. C. amateur champions, The Post is happy to take part in such a worthy venture that will benefit the youth of Washington.

As in the previous tournaments, all proceeds over and above expenses will be divided equally between the AAU and The Post. The AAU will devote its share toward the advancement of amateur sports (swimming, diving, track, etc.) in Washington. The Post's share, every penny of it, will be used to purchase badly needed athletic equipment for the city's various amateur and boys' clubs throughout the city.

Contestants Protected

As in the past, every contestant in this red-blooded tournament for scrappy young Americans will be thoroughly protected. Eash boy will be examined by the District of Columbia Boxing Commission doctors and it is absolutely mandatory he be in A-1 shape before he will be permitted to step into the ring.

Each contestant, too, will be fully covered with insurance and guaranteed the finest medical attention in event of an unforeseen injury while competing.

The tournament will be divided into two divisions (senior and novice) of eight classes each, 112 lbs., 118 lbs., 126 lbs., 135 lbs., 147 lbs., 160 lbs., 175 lbs., and unlimited.

Both novice and senior winners will receive the coveted sterling silver belts emblematic of their city championship in addition to the traditional bathrobes and trunks. Each runner-up in both senior and novice classes, will receive suitable medals.

Get Crack at Nationals

In addition, each senior champion will be taken to Boston for the National A. A. U. championships, April 8 and 9, with all ex-coaching and supervision.

Other individual prizes for outstanding fighters, not necessarily champions, are being arranged and will be announced as soon as the list is completed. Included in the list are several gold wristwatches, which will be handsomely engraved and which will be treasured mementos all through a boy's life.

During the past week, A. A. U. and Post officials conferred on several occasions and the machinery for making the tournament one of the city's outstanding events was shoved into high gear.

Entry blanks have been ordered and will be available as soon as the holiday rush is over. There is no charge for competing for registered athletes of the A.A.U. Unregistered boys may do so at the usual 25c fee, their card being good for a period of one year.

All bouts will be contested under existing A. A. U. rules. D. C. Boxing Commission doctors, inspectors and referees will handle all bouts.

Nats Returns Kimble To Toledo Mudhens

The Nats yesterday returned Shortstop Dick Kimble to Toledo of the American Association. Kimble joined the Nats in midseason last year and played well until an injury benched him. Kimble bats left-handed and club officials pointed out that the Nats will be overloaded with southpaw hitters next spring.

Upsie-Daisie—interception!

Associated Press WIREPHOTO

WAY UP—Frank Wilby, of R. P. I., leaps high to intercept an attempt to score as Bob Duin of U. S. Coast Guard Academy lets go a shot at the basket in their recent basketball game at Boston Garden. R. P. I. won, 46-39

Garden Fights Put 2 Millions In Jacobs Till

New York, Dec. 22 (AP).—Boxing Promoter Mike Jacobs shoved off today for a Florida vacation with the tinkle of a record $2,250,000 year for his indoor shows at Madison Square Garden chiming a merry Christmas tune.

With one show still to be held next Friday, the aggregate gross receipts for 42 fights is $2,215,968, an increase of $818,501 over the previous record of $1,396,467 compiled in 1944. The Freddie Schott-Joe Baksi heavyweight scrap on Friday is expected to draw a minimum $35,000.

An aggregate 534,736 fight fans turned out for the 42 shows. An additional 10,000 is expected for the Schott-Baksi shindig.

Rocky Graziano, the Brooklyn clouter who leaped into promience with five straight Garden knockouts, drew the largest "house" on September 28 when he flattened Harold Green in the third round. That night a standing room only crowd of 18,592 paid $103,970.

Two other scraps topped the 100-grand mark. Tami Mauriello and Lee Oma drew $101,918 on March 23 and Graziano and Freddie Cochrane $100,469 on August 24.

Three other matches were in the $90,000 or more category with Johnny Greco figuring in two of them. His bout with Bobby Ruffin on February 2 grossed $96,273 and his "rubber" affair with Tony Janiro on November 9, $94,433. Ray (Sugar) Robinson and Jake LaMotta drew $93,185 on February 23.

Missouri Valley To Let Frosh Play

St. Louis, Dec. 21 (AP).—The Missouri Valley Conference today continued indefinitely the wartime practice of permitting freshmen to compete in varsity intercollegiate athletics.

At the same time the faculty representatives of the seven schools gave the green light to immediate competition by returning servicemen.

English-Like Synthetic Cores In Golf Balls

By Richards Vidmer
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London Dec. 22.—Synthetic rubber may be the answer to the high cost of golf balls and certainly will solve the temporary problem of practically no golf balls at all in Britain judging by tests conducted here with the emergency type.

British golfers have been playing with "remolds" for six years and those who have been able to dig up half a dozen or so from their prewar supply of New Penfolds, Dunlops and Silver Kings, had no difficulty in selling them at $4 and $5 each. A two-line advertisement in the personal columns invariably brings a rush of business.

A Cheaper Rate

However, recent tests with synthetic rubber cored balls which will be put on the market shortly after the first of the year indicate that for the average club golfer, at least, the shortage problem is solved and he will be able to get as much distance as he did before the war, at a cheaper rate.

Reggie Horne, one of Britain's leading professionals, Charles Buchan, a former county amateur champion, and Wilfred Cronshaw, a twelve handicap player recently conducted a test on the Herndon course. Each player drove twelve tmies, four times with unused premoulds and four times with the new synthetic rubber cored ball.

Longer Off Tee

The results showed that for the pro the prewar ball is on an average of 17 yards longer off the tee than the synthetic type and 7 yards longer than the remoulds. For the top ranking amateur the synthetic ball actually averaged 4 yards longer than the prewar type, but for the average 12 handicap club golfer there was no difference. The actual distances were affected by a high wind and soggy turf that eliminated most of the run.

However, the tests were convincing to nonpartisan observers. The professionals, especially in tournament competion, undoubtedly will continue to insist on real rubber balls, constantly seeking maximum performance, but golfers club in the 80's and above can play just as well with the cheaper synthetic rubber balls, if they can overcome the psychological idea that they could do a little better with better implements.

Bahram Starts Buenos Aires Trek

New York, Dec. 22 (AP).—The 13-year-old English stallion, Bahram, recently purchased by an Argentine syndicate for $130,000, will start his long trek to Buenos Aires tomorrow.

Charley Lund, head of the syndicate which bought the son of Blandford earlier this month from an American group headed by Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, said Bahram would be loaded aboard the steamer Noonday. The horse probably will reach Buenos Aires within a month and then be transported to the Haras Chapadmalal farm at Mar Del Plata.

The Vanderbilt syndicate purchased the stallion for $160,000 from the Aga Khan in 1940 and imported him from England.

Arrives for Bout

Havana, Dec. 22 (AP).—Rampson Powell, Detroit middleweight, arrived here today to meet Mario Raul Ochoa of Cuba, in a boxing bout next Saturday night.

This Is Where These Crusaders Would Like to Have Miami University

Associated Press WIREPHOTO

BOWL BOUND—From the snows of Massachusetts to the sun-kissed shores of Miami is a lot of territorial difference and these members of Holy Cross' Orange Bowl eleven which meets Miami University New Year's day in the Florida classic don't expect to find weather like this when they arrive way down South. Anyway, this is where they would like to bury the Hurricane. Left to right are: Joe Byers, back; Charley Stephenson, center; Steve Conroy, back; Jim Dieckelman, end; Tom Donnalley, tackle and Lou LeMay

Hunting & Fishing

With Jack Bell

The following announcement by Col. Emerald F. Sloan has reached us, and we're passing it on:

"The director of civilian marksmanship announces that wartime restrictions on the activities of his office have now been lifted.

"Issues of authorized ordnance materials and supplies used in marksmanship will again be made to schools and clubs enrolled with his office.

"And that sales of certain materials and supplies in target practice will be resumed as fast as they become available.

"Sales will be made to senior members of the National Rifle Association."

It is not generally realized by the men who fought this war that the National Rifle Association is principally responsible for the development of the .22 rifle and pistol as basic training weapons and for their adoption by the armed services.

Another little-realized result of NRA's activities since the turn of the century, and particularly during the period immediately following World War I, was the development of a group of American scope-sight manufacturers who were among the most critically needed of American producers during the war. The military has always been critical of the association's competitions for scope-sighted rifles. "Silly, impracticable, waste of time and money which could be better devoted to iron sights events," has been a common complaint.

The association's encouragement of the use of the scope sight in the hunting field and the resultant development of scope mounts that can take the rough treatment that hunting demands, failed to convince the average military mind that riflemen could use to advantage scope sights.

But within 30 days of our initial engagements with the Japs there was a rush to obtain scopes and mounts and to establish sniper schools. Because the military had refused to become interested during prewar years, American forces were never supplied with either the quantity or quality of sniping equipment or scout-snipers that could have been used to advantage in many theaters.

Another example of a long established NRA program that paid wartime dividends was the junior club program. Although the association instituted rifle instruction and competition in secondary schools about 1906, the activity was confined to military schools and a few high schools in large cities until the .22 rifle earned respect as a training and target weapon in the 20's.

In 1926, 12,144 boys of high school age received instruction, and by 1940, the year before Pearl Harbor, the total of annual junior qualifications had reached 90,027. There were some unavoidable losses of junior and senior clubs during the war, but now with the release of supplies and ammunition, reports indicate that competitive rifle shooting and clubs are rapidly springing up all over the country.

The National Rifle Association enters 1946 in the strongest position and with the best prospects it has ever enjoyed during its almost half century of existence. The Congress of the United States has recognized the National Rifle Association of America as a quasi-governmental institution devoted to the promotion of small arms practice as a part of the Nation's program of preparation for war. For more than a quarter of a century Congress has made appropriations under which the director of civilian marksmanship, War Department, has rendered direct aid to civilian clubs by issuing to them limited quanities of arms and ammunition.

Stirnweiss' .309 Average Lowest For A. L. Leader Since 1905

New Yorker Edges Out Cuccinello

Chicago, Dec. 22 (AP).—Hustling George Stirnweiss' last-day, photo-finish triumph over ancient Tony Cuccinello helped brighten things considerably, but still the 1945 batting race was the American League's most dismal show of plate power in 40 seasons.

The junior circuit today officially handed the hitting title to Stirnweiss, stubby New York Yankee second-sacker, for his .309 average, poorest championship mark since Elmer Flick of Cleveland won in 1905 with an all-time low of .306.

Cuccinello, who led virtually the entire campaign, finished one percentage point off the pace with .308.

Final official statistics showed the 37-year-old Chicago White Sox third baseman, wobbling on tired legs through his 15th and probably last major league season, played in only 118 games, while Stirnweiss saw action in every one of the Yankees' 152.

Stirnweiss also led the league in base hits with 195; stolen bases (for the second straigst year) with 33; runs scored, 107; total bases, 301; triples, 22; and most at bats, 632. Cuccinello banged 124 hits in 402 trips.

Below National Mark

Stirnweiss' .309 percentage was 46 points under the robust .355 that won the National League title for Phil Cavaretta, Chicago Cubs' first sacker—a bitter pill for American League partisans, who traditionally depict their circuit a society of superior sluggers.

Manager-Shortstop Lou Boudreau of the Cleveland Indians, who won the 1944 title with .327, was an unofficial third this year with .306, being limited by injury to only 97 games.

Other leaders, playing 100 or more games, including Jeff Heath, recently traded by Cleveland to Washington, and Boston's Tom McBride, .305; Johnny Dickshot of Chicago, .302; and Roberto Estalella of Philadelphia, .299. All are outfielders.

With Stirnweiss grabbing seven titles to further complicate Manager Joe McCarthy's second-base problem when Joe (Flash) Gordon returns from service, few offensive honors were left to other American Leaguers.

Stephens Homer King

Shortstop Vern Stephens of St. Louis dethroned First Baseman Nick Etten of New York as home run king with 24, while Wally Moses, venerable White Sox outfielder, led in doubles with 35. Second Baseman Leroy Schalk of Chicago had the most sacrifice hits, 24.

Jim Seerey, Cleveland's muscular outfielder, belted three home runs on July 13 to tie the single-game, Major League record and with a triple in the same contest matched the modern Major League mark for four long blows in one outing.

The fourth and final wartime season also took its toll in team batting with the championship going to the sixth-place White Sox with .262, eight points below Boston's 1944 winning mark of .270.

The Detroit tigers, pennant and world series winners, finished fifth with .256. Detroit's pace-setter was Second Baseman Eddie Mayo with .285. Hammerin' Hank Greenberg wound up with .311, but played in only 78 games.

It Never Rains at Rose Bowl Time in California

Associated Press WIREPHOTO

JUST DEW—Californians would have you believe precipitation out there is only a heavy dew. These natives waited for hours, some in vain, for the 7500 tickets that went on sale for the classic New Year's day game in Pasadena. The remaining 90,000 tickets are distributed chiefly through the two competing schools, Southern California and Alabama. The umbrellas came in handy and not as a sun shade

School Teams 'Hibernate' Until Jan. 2

By Herb Heft
Post Staff Writer

With two weeks of cage action to look back on, the District's scholastic basketball aggregations went into a period of hibernation yesterday that will last through the holiday season until January 2.

And from early season indications, at least seven teams can include in their hibernation dreams hopes of a prosperous New Year. Washington-Lee, George Washington, Montgomery Blair, Tech, Roosevelt, Bullis Prep and Eastern all have displayed promising form.

The Little Generals, who have already played against some of the strongest teams in the area, have rolled up six victories without a defeat. Opening their season on December 6, the Generals slapped down Woodward Prep, Mount Vernon and Charlotte Hall, each with at least 25 points to spare. Then they captured the suburban high school championship by walloping the formidable Blair and George Washington fives with plenty to spare, and Friday they routed Front Royal (Va.) High, 50-28.

Bullis-W-L Promising

Already observers are looking forward to the Bullis-Washington-Lee game slated for January 30. In Perry Currin, Dave Garber and George Binstead the Generals boast a triple threat that has averaged about 40 points per game. Bullis, which has easily won its only two games of the season, has in Arnie Ferrin the first former collegiate All-American ever to grace local scholastic cage courts. Because of inferior competition so far, Bullis Coach Al Grossman has kept Ferrin bench-ridden for the most part. In addition to Ferrin, Bullis also boasts Stu Brown, Josh Dorsey and Bill Tanney, former Wilson High stars.

Eastern's Ramblers, runners-up in last year's interhigh race, posed as a potent 1946 title threat this week with decisive victories over Woodward, Anacostia and George Washington High. Built around veteran Al D'Ambrosio, the Ramblers' attack has also featured scoring splurges by 5-foot 4-inch Kenny Burns, who has tallied 30 points in three games so far.

Interhigh's defending champion Tech cagers racked up their nineteenth and twentieth consecutive victories over a two-year period this week, when they whipped Hyattsville and National Training School, while using mostly reserves. Walt Olson's scoring antics have been especially encouraging to Coach Dutch Usilaner, who lost several key men from last year's team.

Wolfe Roosevelt Star

Undefeated Roosevelt High, with its new hero, Bernie Wolfe, at the helm, registered victory No. 2 with a 42-36 win over Bethesda-Chevy Chase. Wolfe, who had tallied 15 points in the Raiders' opening game, scored 29 points against the Barons to set a season's record. The grand floor play of George Theopoulos, Al Brady, John Huston and Ben Weisman have also been instrumental in the Rider triumphs.

Air Trainer . . .

China Honors Matty's Son For War Aid

By Garrett Waters
International News Service Sports Writer

The son of the man often called the greatest pitcher in baseball wore a medal today bearing the signature of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

He is Christy Mathewson, now a lieutenant colonel in the Army Air Forces, who chose the field of aviation for his profession rather than the great national game.

The unique decoration—the special Badge Cloud Banner—was pinned on Colonel Mathewson by Maj. Gen. P. T. Mow, head of the Chinese aeronautical mission to the United States, in ceremonies at the Chinese Embassy.

The medal was for his efforts in training Chinese airmen both before and during the war.

Missed Athletics

Colonel Mathewson matriculated at his famous father's alma mater, Bucknell University. He was rarely seen on the diamond or for that matter as a participant in other sports.

He graduated from Bucknell with a degree in electrical engineering and immediately set his mind on aviation.

He did some commercial flying in 1928 and then joined the Army Air Corps. He won his Army pilot's wings in 1930 and continued Army flying as a tactical pilot at Kelly Field and later as an observation pilot at Mitchell Field.

In June, 1932, Colonel Mathewson took off for China with a group of 14 other pilots, headed by Col. John H. Jouett. Their purpose was to establish the central aviation school at Hangkow.

Injury Voids Zeal

Colonel Mathewson had a three-year contract with the Chinese government as a pilot instructor. But it was absorbed after one year when an amphibious plane he was flying crashed. It was six months before he left a hospital in Shanghai, minus one leg.

He returned to the United States soon after this mishap and resumed his association with the Army in a civilicity.

Shortly after the United States entered war, Colonel Mathewson's commission was activated and he was ordered to Arizona, where Uncle Sam was running an aviation school for pilots, navigators and bombardiers, including many Chinese airmen.

Knowledge of the Chinese language, customs and characteristics of the people aptly fitted Colonel Matthewson for the job of liaison officer at the huge training center.

China's appreciation of his part in the training of more than 1000 Chinese combat pilots and crews was expressed by the presentation of the medal.

Fair Grounds

1—¾; $800; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Exiricate	109	Hasty Foot	109
Busy Man	109	Wickliffe Gal	114
Bobtown	111	Bell Call	114
Ioango	101	Greville	119
Make Fast	107	Unitran	109
Rare Flares	116	Hombone	104
Lauderkin	114	Bourmont	114
Snowline	114	Good Gravy	113

2—5½; $2000; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

High Cne	115	Tinted Light	107
Time Flies	108	Pete's Kid	113
Dissension Sir	115	King Appell	113
Matab	115	Smoothly	110
All Charm	107	Polymelior	115
Blue Mate	105	Feik Hat	115
Restoration	110	Roman Abbot	115
Plandome	113	Petee Pat	115

3—¾; $2000; maiden 2-year-old c. and g.

Dixie Sweep	113	Waverly	118
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Contortionist	118	Fabrin	118
Irish Count	113	The Fakir	118
Ray O'Sullivan	118	Hibernian	113
Right Hand	118	Pharlo	113
Bullsel	118	Darby Doodit	118
Storm Play	113	Doug Crate	113

4—5½; $2000; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Liberty Head	112	Magic Heels	111
Mik O'Sullivan	112	Valdina Idol	117
Honey Bun	104	Freddies Game	107
Mercury	114	Meshach	117
Rosalia	114	Miss Dudical	111
Ksaf of Audley	109	Hercules	109
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Traction	117	Daisy Lee	109

5—1; $2000; 3-year-olds up; allowances.

Hi Gallant	118	Epistar	109
Dagger	118	Epison	118
Patriotic Fox	108	Valdina Gino	115
Lee Fox	115	Ever On	118
Sun Moss	110	Baby Kiddie	110
Hedgethorn	113	Spring Morning	117
Turncoat	118	Balladry	118
Halcyona	117	Unshakable	115

6—1; $2500; 3-year-olds; allowances.

John Q. Public	117	Sicot	112
†Billy F	107	Nowadays	120
Statesman	117	Alabama	117
Cencerro	111	Mister Chat	112
Westport Point	109	Kewey Dee	112
Winsome Lad	117	Santa's Vixen	109

†Ed-Eli Stable entry.

7—Mile 70; $2200; 3-year-olds and up.

Ginokum	106	Gabe Paul	114
Gallant Chance	119	Rangoon	111
Grey Steel	119	John's Bird	109
Keeping Gold	119	Albuldo	116
Air Current	114	Director	109
May Drops	114	Jungle Hare	119

8—Mile 70; $3000; 3-year-olds up; claim.

One Tip	118	Uncle Mose	118
Nepolee	110	Ambrandad	118
Good Auto	113	Petrafire	113
Which Cup	108	Renraw	118
Nostradamus	118	Create	110
King's Feast	118	Ebony Moon	112
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A. L. Batting Averages

AMERICAN LEAGUE BATTING RECORDS
(Compiled by Howe News Bureau, Chicago, Ill.)

CLUB BATTING

Name of Club	AB	R	OR	H	TB	2B	3B	HR	SB	LOB	Pct.
Chicago	5077	598	633	1330	1710	204	55	22	75	1062	.262
Boston	5367	599	674	1393	1856	225	44	50	72	1225	.260
New York	5176	676	606	1343	1933	189	61	93	64	1197	.259
Washington	5326	622	562	1375	1779	197	63	37	110	1173	.258
Detroit	5257	633	585	1345	1827	227	47	77	60	1105	.256
Cleveland	4898	557	548	1249	1756	216	48	65	19	1091	.255
St. Louis	5227	597	548	1302	1780	215	37	63	25	1138	.249
Philadelphia	5396	494	638	1297	1671	201	37	33	25	1147	.245
Totals	41624	4774	4774	10634	14382	1674	392	430	453	9138	.255

INDIVIDUAL BATTING
Ten or More Games

Name and Club	Bats	G	AB	H	TB	2B	3B	HR	SB	Pct.
Henry, Cleveland	L	16	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	.500
Fowler, Philadelphia	R	11	18	8	12	2	1	0	0	.444
Salveson, Cleveland	R	19	30	4	9	2	0	1	0	.400
Appling, Chicago	R	18	58	21	30	2	2	1	1	.362
Lewis, Washington	L	69	258	86	120	14	7	2	1	.333
Benjamin, Cleveland	R	14	21	7	9	2	0	0	0	.333
Fleming, Cleveland	L	42	140	46	69	13	3	3	0	.329
Greenberg, Detroit	R	78	270	84	147	20	2	18	3	.311
Lazor, Boston	L	101	335	104	142	19	2	5	3	.310
Stirnweiss, New York	R	152	632	195	301	32	22	10	33	.309
Cuccinello, Chicago	R	118	402	124	161	19	3	2	6	.308
Boudreau, Cleveland	R	97	346	106	141	24	1	3	0	.306
Heath, Cleveland	L	102	370	113	183	16	7	15	3	.305
McBride, Boston	R	100	344	105	133	11	7	1	2	.305
Potter, St. Louis	L	32	92	28	30	2	0	0	0	.304
Dickshot, Chicago	R	130	486	147	193	19	10	4	18	.302
Keller, New York	L	44	163	49	94	7	4	10	0	.301
Estalella, Philadelphia	R	126	451	135	196	25	6	8	1	.299
Layne, Washington	L	61	147	44	60	5	4	1	0	.299
Myatt, Washington	L	133	490	145	179	17	7	1	30	.296
Moses, Chicago	L	140	569	168	239	35	15	2	11	.295
Schultz, St. Louis	L	41	44	13	15	2	0	0	0	.295
Case, Washington	R	123	504	148	180	19	5	1	30	.294
Hockett, Chicago	L	106	417	122	159	23	4	2	10	.293
Lopat, Chicago	L	32	82	24	31	4	0	1	0	.293
Bartley, Cleveland	R	25	58	17	18	1	0	0	0	.293
Smith, Cleveland	L	22	41	12	14	2	0	0	0	.293
Meyer, Cleveland	R	130	534	163	219	39	8	7	2	.292
Newsome, Boston	R	126	438	127	162	30	1	1	6	.290
Zarilla, Washington	R	54	197	56	89	8	3	6	3	.284
Stephens, St. Louis	R	149	571	165	270	27	3	24	2	.289
Shirley, St. Louis	R	43	70	20	21	1	0	0	1	.286
Johnson, Chicago	L	29	14	4	6	2	0	0	0	.286
Etten, New York	L	153	565	161	247	34	4	18	3	.285
Kuhel, Washington	L	143	533	152	213	29	13	2	10	.285
Mayo, Detroit	L	134	501	143	203	24	3	10	7	.285
Lindell, New York	R	41	159	45	60	6	3	1	2	.283
Curtright, Chicago	R	98	324	91	132	15	7	4	3	.281
Robinson, New York	L	50	160	45	77	6	1	8	0	.281
Gettel, New York	R	27	57	16	18	2	0	0	0	.281
Johnson, Boston	R	143	529	148	225	27	7	12	5	.280
Baker, Boston	R	133	473	132	194	27	1	11	4	.279
Binks, Washington	L	143	550	153	215	32	6	6	11	.278
McQuinn, St. Louis	L	139	483	134	192	31	3	7	1	.277
Christman, St. Louis	R	78	289	80	107	7	4	4	1	.277
Peck, Philadelphia	L	112	449	124	179	22	9	5	5	.276
Dubiel, New York	R	26	58	16	23	4	0	1	0	.276
Cramer, Detroit	L	141	541	149	205	22	8	6	2	.275
Culberson, Boston	R	97	331	91	142	21	6	6	4	.275
Finney, Boston-St. Louis	L	59	215	59	81	8	4	2	0	.274
Mackiewicz, Cleveland	L	120	350	96	132	14	7	2	5	.274
Ullrich, Washington	R	23	22	6	7	1	0	0	0	.273
Kell, Philadelphia	R	147	567	154	202	30	3	4	2	.272
Cullenbine, Cleveland-Detroit	Both	154	536	146	238	26	5	18	2	.272
Outlaw, Detroit	R	132	446	121	147	15	3	0	6	.271
Ross, Detroit-Cleveland	R	114	392	106	133	19	1	2	2	.270
Drescher, New York	L	48	126	34	39	3	1	0	0	.270
Borom, Detroit	L	55	130	35	39	4	0	0	4	.269
Mancuso, St. Louis	R	119	385	88	120	13	3	1	0	.268
Siebert, Philadelphia	R	147	573	153	205	29	1	7	2	.267
Martin, New York	Both	117	408	109	160	18	6	7	4	.267
Ferriss, Boston	L	61	120	32	44	7	1	1	0	.267
Ferrell, Washington	R	91	286	76	93	12	1	1	2	.266
Grimes, New York	R	143	486	127	172	19	7	4	7	.261
York, Detroit	R	155	595	157	246	25	5	18	6	.264
Rocco, Cleveland	L	143	565	149	219	28	6	10	0	.264
Maier, Detroit	R	132	486	128	170	25	7	1	7	.263
Busse, New York	R	30	65	17	21	3	0	0	0	.262
Hall, Philadelphia	R	111	616	161	188	17	5	0	3	.261
Gutteridge, Boston	R	68	199	52	58	5	0	0	0	.261
Metkovich, Boston	L	138	539	140	187	26	3	5	19	.260
Moore, St. Louis	L	110	384	92	127	16	2	5	1	.260
Wilkins, Philadelphia	R	62	154	40	46	6	0	0	2	.260
Evans, Washington	R	51	150	39	60	11	2	2	2	.260
Farrell, Chicago	L	103	396	102	119	11	3	0	4	.258
Stainback, New York	R	95	327	84	115	12	2	5	0	.257
Steiner, Boston	L	78	249	64	101	8	3	5	10	.257
Hoover, Detroit	R	74	222	57	80	10	3	1	6	.257
Newhouser, Detroit	L	40	109	28	35	5	1	0	0	.257
Richards, Detroit	R	83	234	60	83	12	1	3	4	.256
Burns, Philadelphia	R	31	78	20	26	3	1	0	0	.256
Kreevich, St. Louis-Washington	L	129	483	124	148	19	3	3	11	.256
Tobin, Boston	L	84	278	70	80	6	2	0	2	.252
McGhee, Philadelphia	L	93	250	63	71	6	1

This Morning

With Shirley Povich

To Whom It May Concern:

Eight Redskins were barred from the voting when the players met last week to split up their shares of the playoff game with the Cleveland Rams . . . The barred players were men who joined the club late in the season but they were eligible for the playoff game, and under the league rules they had a right to participate in the voting on shares . . . Russ Hodges, WOL's ace sports broadcaster, is New York bound, and will team with Mel Allen in broadcasting the baseball games at Yankee Stadium next summer. He will also broadcast play-by-play for the New York football Yankees in the All-America Conference next season . . . The late Col. Emery (Swede) Larsen, former Navy coach who succumbed to a heart attack last month, was preparing to retire from the Marines and accept a post as athletic director at the University of Washington . . .

POVICH

As the newly-appointed chairman of the District Boxing Commission, Heinie Miller now assumes all of the powers he used to exercise as Commission secretary and chief policy-maker . . . The Detroit Tigers are still trying to trade First Baseman Rudy York to the Nots for First Baseman Mickey Vernon, and the St. Louis Browns are offering Pitcher Sid Jakucki in exchange for Pitcher Alex Carrasquel.

Four Irish-bred horses are now on the high seas en route to the Santa Anita track, where they have been entered for the $100,000 handicap on March 4. The race has twice been won by foreign-breds, Azucar in 1935, and Kayak II in 1939 . . . On tour with a baseball barnstorming troupe at the end of last season, Jeff Heath impersonated Babe Ruth by sting a pillow beneath his baseball shirt to give him a Ruthian paunch, walking with the famed mincing steps of the Babe and otherwise mimicking Ruth's actions at the plate. In two of his three appearances as an impersonator of Ruth, he knocked home runs over the rightfield fence . . . Pitcher Walter Masterson and Catcher Al Evans of the Nats, after a short-lived plunge into the dry cleaning business in Washington, have cashed in their chips and retired . . . Every newspaperman at the major leagues recent meeting, including this one, neglected to ask Commissioner Happy Chandler how come Branch Rickey is associated in the All-America Fotball Conference with Bill Cox, who was barred from baseball by Judge Landis for getting on games . . . When the Redskins lost to Cleveland by one point in the playoff game, it cost Head Coach Dud De Groot a $2500 bonus his contract calls for in the event of a title.

The Redskins didn't wear tennis shoes on the icy field at Cleveland because of De Groot's pre-game agreement with Coach Adam Walsh of the Rams. Fact is, the Rams out-smarted the Redskins in wangling the agreement because, unlike the Washington team, they had no rubber-soled shoes available . . . Lou Rymkus, the Notre Dame lad, who was the Redskins' best tackle in 1942 before entering the service, has jumped to the Chicago club of the All-America Conference along with Willie Wilkin of the Redskins . . . Steve Bagarus, who is nimble of mind as well of feet, now reckons that he rates double the salary the Redskins paid him last season, and has asked for it. Always implied, of course, is the threat that he would jump to the new league. If Bob Waterfield of the Cleveland Rams has indeed signed a three-year contract calling for $20,000 a season, he now tops Sammy Baugh as the highest-paid pro football player. Baugh draws $2000 per game during the regular season, and was actually playing at cut-rates inthe championship game at Cleveland which netted each Redskin something over $900 . . . Redskin players voted their clubhouse boy, Kelly Miller, a full share.

Bill McGowan told the Touchdown Club he once advised Rookie Manager Ossie Bluege not to be shy about demanding his rights from the umpires. "And the first time he squawked he was so violent I had to throw him out of the game" . . . In 1943, Bluege was ejected also by Umpire George Pipgras. "You must have cussed him," said a baseball writer. "I didn't," said Bluege. "All I told him was, 'you know what Bucky Harris called you all last season; well, the same thing goes for me" . . . The Aga Khan, reported to be so rich he is literally worth his weight in gold, recently sold two thoroughbreds, Star Dust and Tehran, for $848,000 to breeding syndicates . . . According to Look Magazine's forecast for 1946, the Louis-Conn fight will produce a five-million-dollar gate, including television, radio and movie rights; the Yankees will beat out Boston for the American League pennant, and jet-propelled autos will figure in the Indainapolis Speedwya's 500-mile race . . . Joe Di Maggio has turned author and his book, "Lucky to be a Yankee," will be ready for distribution on January 27.

Handley High Will Compete In Va. Class B Grid in 1946

Winchester, Va., Dec. 22.—The Handley Judges, undefeated and untied on the gridiron this season, will enter the State Class B high school competition next year.

A seven-team conference was organized at Harrisonburg recently, with plans to compete in basketball and track in addition to football. Teams in the conference in addition to Handley and Harrisonburg are Waynesboro, Lexington, Clifton Forge, Covington, Staunton and Warren County High School at Front Royal.

Handley will not compete on the hardwoods until the 1946-47 season, having already arranged this season's basketball schedule with teams in the Tri-State area.

It was decided by representatives of the schools that the basketball and football schedules will remain the same each year, the only difference being in the city in which the games are played.

The conference basketball championship will be decided each spring at a tournament among the four top teams to be held at Washington-Lee.

It was decided to hold the District track meet at VMI on April 20.

Handley, which participated in the Cumberland Valley Athletic League prior to the war, because of restrictions on travel, will meet only one out-of-State grid foe next year, continuing their long rivalry with Martinsburg on Thanksgiving Day.

1946 Football Schedule

October 4—Waynesboro, away; 11—Lexington, here; 18—Harrisonburg, here; 25—Clifton Forge, away.

November 1—Covington, here; 8—Staunton, away; 15—Warren County, away; 28—Martinsburg, here.

Nelson Averages 68 Strokes in 1945

New York, Dec. 22 (AP).—Byron Nelson, selected recently as the No. 1 athlete of 1945 in an Associated Press poll, averaged 68.33 strokes per round for 120 rounds of major tournament golf during the year, PGA Tournament Manager Fred Corcoran announced today.

Nelson won 19 tournaments, including the National PGA and was runner-up in seven others. It was the second straight year in which he has averaged less than 70 strokes per round. In the past four years he has finished in the money in 102 consecutive tournaments.

Brigham Young Cagers Make Tour of Nation

Provo, Utah, Dec. 21 (AP).—Twelve players will accompany Coach Floyd Millet of Brigham Young University on a basketball barnstorming tour through the East and Midwest during the Christmas holidays.

Brigham Young's Cougars leave Sunday for games with Manhattan, Canisius, Northwestern, Loyola of Chicago and Valparaiso.

Touchdown Will Honor 'Bo' McMillin

Alvin (Bo) McMillin, popular coach of Indiana University's Big Ten championship football team of 1945, will be honored as coach of the year at the Hotel Statler on Tuesday night, January 8, when the Touchdown Club of Washington features its annual dinner before an overflow audience.

The dinner is a complete sellout and Chairman Lieut. Col. Joseph Escude announces that it has been necessary to reject thousands of additional applications for reservations.

McMillin will be the recipient of the Arthur J. Bergman Founders' Trophy, a new award presented by "Dutch" Bergman, first president and founder of the local organization in 1935. This trophy will be presented annually to the coach of the year.

Awards previously announced will find West Point's brilliant back, Felix (Doc) Blanchard, honored with the Walter Camp Memorial Trophy as outstanding college player of the year; Richard Duden, Navy end, with the Knute Rockne Memorial Trophy reserved for the No. 1 college lineman; Halfback Steve Juzwik, Fleet City (Calif.) Marines, with the Lieut. Bob Smith Memorial Trophy given the top service player; Quarterback Bob Waterfield, Cleveland Rams, the Touchdown Club's Trophy donated the outstanding professional player, and a special trophy voted the New York Giants' center, Mel Hein, in recognition of his years of service to pro football.

Cabinet officers, military and civic leaders and high-ranking Government officials and sports celebrities are numbered prominently among those who will attend the dinner.

Set Speed Skate Meet

Newburgh, N. Y., Dec. 22 (AP).—The twenty-fifth Middle Atlantic outdoor speed skating championships will be held here January 20, Chairman Harry Cohen announced today.

Fire-Truck Ride Given Mo. Squad

Dallas, Dec. 22 (AP).—The University of Missouri football squad, 36 strong, rolled into Dallas today to open practice for its Cotton Bowl game January 1 with the University of Texas.

A delegation from the Cotton Bowl Athletic Association, city government and Chamber of Commerce was at the station to greet the Tigers, who brought along a rabbit's foot apiece for good luck.

Th squad was loaded onto fire trucks for the ride to their hotel.

A workout planned for this afternoon was called off when equipment failed to arrive.

Full of fight and each blessed with the left hind foot of a rabbit killed in a graveyard by a cross-eyed Negro on a Friday midnight, the Big Six Conference champions left Kansas City last night. Each of the 36 carried a furry magic piece provided by R. E. Lucas of Columbia, Mo., veteran Mizzou follower.

Tide in Stiff Drill

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Dec. 22 (AP).—A stiff workout yesterday ended Alabama's pre-California practice as the team made ready for the Rose Bowl journey tomorrow.

Coach Frank Thomas said the hard work "was just what we needed, but you can't get two weeks practice in one afternoon." Rain and snow had made outdoor work impossible for most of the practice periods since December 10, when practice was resumed.

Most of the victims of the influenza outbreak were back in uniform yesterday, and Thomas said he hoped all of the men would be able to leave with the team tomorrow. He had been afraid that several would have to be left behind, and brought to the coast after recovery.

The squad for the Rose Bowl trip will be announced tonight. Three complete teams will go.

Coach Denies Kelly Story

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 22 (AP).—Coach Ed McKeever described as "news to me" a report that Navy Football Player Bob Kelly would try to enter Cornell University.

Kelly, who starred as a halfback with Notre Dame in 1944, visited McKeever here last summer.

A Navy spokesman at Annapolis said yesterday that Kelly, a patient at the Naval Hospital recovering from injuries received during the football season, had asked to resign from the Naval Academy.

Earlier, Bob's father, Representative Edward A. Kelly (D., Ill.), said his son would return to Notre Dame if released by the Navy, and Kelly said he may try to enter Cornell.

Wade Assumes Duties

Durham, N. C., Dec. 22 (AP).—Wallace Wade, builder of bowl teams, will return to his old post as head football coach at Duke University January 1.

At the same time, Eddie Cameron, who coached the Blue Devils while Wade was in the Army, will become director of athletics in a job-swap announced by Dean William H. Wannamaker of the university.

Upon his return from military service last fall, Wade was made director of athletics and Cameron became football coach in his own right.

California Also Bans Tom Smith From Race Tracks

Los Angeles, Dec. 22 (AP).—The California Horse Racing Board has barred Trainer Tom Smith of the Maine Chance Farms from visiting his stable at Santa Anita Race Track because of his one year suspension by the New York board on a charge of stimulating Magnific Duel.

The action was automatic under a reciprocal agreement between the two State boards prohibiting a trainer suspended in one State from training in the other, Secretary W. C. Buchanan of the California Racing Board explained.

Smith had visited the Maine Chance horses yesterday and Thursday before the ban was imposed. He had denied the New York charges and appealed the New York Board's order.

McAfee Signs for Three Years With Bears as Halas Sings

GEORGE McAFEE, again back with Bears

Chicago, Dec. 22 (INS).—George (One Play) McAfee, the galloping halfback from Duke University who became an instant star in professional football, today signed a new, three-year contract with the Chicago Bears.

Owner George Halas announced that McAfee had followed Quarterback Sid Luckman into the fold, and declared:

"This move sews up the greatest halfback in the game for the Bears and the National Football League, for there are many imitations, and many seconds, but only one George McAfee."

Halas was jubilant as he announced that McAfee definitely will be in the Bears' lineup next fall, and expressed belief that with McAfee and Luckman as the nucleus, Chicago might well have a team the equal of the star 1941 outfit.

McAfee joined the Bears in 1940, and tstarted off with a flourish—a 91-yard touchdown runback of a punt the first time he had his hands on the ball. In 1941 he averaged 7.3 yards every time he carried the ball and was a unanimous choice for the All-League team.

After nearly four years in the Navy, McAfee rejoied the Bears in November and in his first game scored three touchdowns against the Pittsburgh Steelers.

He is one of football's fastest. At Duke, the Irontown Flier ran the 100-yard dash in an official 9.7 seconds.

Lions Suspend Lubeck in Big Team Shake-up

A drastic team shake-up, an attempt to acquire many new players and the indefinite suspension of Winger Nestor Lubeck for indifferent play were announced by Coach Maxie Bennett as he pointed his Washington Lions for tonight's Eastern Hockey League match with Baltimore's Clippers in Baltimore.

Bennett said that he had placed Lubeck under suspension until further notice because he feels that the lightning-fast forward has played far below the form of which he is capable. Lubeck was one of the finest skaters and the hottest scoring men in the Eastern League while skating for the second place Baltimore Blades last season.

Bennett expects to have many new players in his lineup when the Lions return to Uline ice against the New York Rovers Friday night; meet the Olympics in Boston Saturday, and the Rovers again in New York next Sunday afternoon.

Owner Mike Uline and Bennett speeded their search for players yesterday when they not only resumed negotiations with the Montreal Canadiens and Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League, but also established contact with Owners Al Sutphin of the Cleveland Barons, John H. Harris of the Pittsburgh Hornets, and C. D. P. Hamilton of the St. Louis Flyers of the American League.

Some immediate action is expected from the Pittsburgh and St. Louis clubs, and players probably will start pouring into Uline Arena immediately.

The Lions will work out daily during the Christmas holidays except on Christmas day, and will be ordered to bear down with their best as efforts are speeded toward a revision that will produce a scoring punch missing to date.

Meanwhile, the Lions must either defeat or tie the Clippers in Baltimore tonight to escape undisputed possession of the Eastern League's cellar.

Twenty Thirty Wins Feature At Gulfstream

Gulfstream Park, Fla., Dec. 22 (AP).—Twenty Thirty, a tiny coal-black filly which H. C. Hatch, the Canadian distiller, acquired from Arnold Hanger during the recent Pimlico meeting for a reported $15,000, today scored her second triumph in as many local starts when she defeated ten other 2-year-olds in the Fountain of Youth Handicap.

The well-named daughter of Eight Thirty (twenty thirty, in the Navy's lingo, means eight thirty) was a $7.10 for $2 choice and drove first home by two lengths to earn $3200 of the $5000 purse. W. W. Adams' Flag Drill saved the place, a half length before Louisiana Farm's Best Dress.

Showers fell most of the day and made the track good. Twenty Thirty, smallest but "runningest" horse in the mile and 70 yard tussle, was timed in 1:45 1-5 under the Canadian veteran, Bobby Watson.

The attendance was estimated at 10,300.

Flag Drill dashed into a length and a half lead in the scramble for positions, with Watson keeping Twenty Thirty under light wraps in the runner-up spot. The diminutive filly drew up to the pacemakers' withers as they began the backstretch run, while Best Dress was rated third, close by.

Twenty Thirty gained a narrow lead as they swung into the front straightaway and gradually drew away under pressure while Flag Drill, though tiring fast, staved off Best Dress. Goblin was a belated fourth.

Hunch players began this December 22 in style when the No. 2 horse on the program won the first three races, the first two winners producing a popular $32.20 daily double.

Tarheels Lead Conference With 2 Wins

Richmond, Va., Dec. 22 (AP).—North Carolina's Tarheels, aided by Tom Dillon and Jim Jordan, are setting the pace in the Southern Conference race for the current season.

The Tarheels notched their second league victory last night by defeating South Carolina, 56-32, at Chapel Hill. Bob Paxton, workhorse center, was high-point man with 21 points, close guarding keeping Jordan from getting off on a scoring spree. Dillon at present leads his team in total number of points scored with 104 for the five games engaged in by North Carolina. He also is pacing all conference scorers.

Duke has one conference victory to its credit, a 50-23 win over Davidson, also humbled by the Tarheels earlier in the year.

While a number of other conference teams have participated in some preliminary warmup games, Duke, North and South Carolina and Davidson are the only league teams who have seen conference action.

Post-AAU Battle of Belts Slated Jan. 25-Feb. 20

Ring Crowns, Boston Trip For Winners

By Al Costello
Post Staff Writer.

The third annual Washington Post-D. C. A. A. U. Battle of Belts boxing championships this year will be held January 25, February 1 and 8 for the preliminary rounds; semifinals February 15, and the grand finale, when 16 champions will be crowned, February 20.

In once again joining hands with the District of Columbia Amateur Athletic Union in sponsoring the city's most important amateur boxing event of the year which designates the official D. C. amateur champions, The Post is happy to take part in such a worthy venture that will benefit the youth of Washington.

As in the previous tournaments, all proceeds over and above expenses will be divided equally between the AAU and The Post. The AAU will devote its share toward the advancement of amateur sports (swimming, diving, track, etc.) in Washington. The Post's share, every penny of it, will be used to purchase badly needed athletic equipment for the city's various amateur and boys' clubs throughout the city.

Contestants Protected

As in the past, every contestant in this red-blooded tournament for scrappy young Americans will be thoroughly protected. Each boy will be examined by the District of Columbia Boxing Commission doctors and it is absolutely mandatory he be in A-1 shape before he will be permitted to step into the ring.

Each contestant, too, will be fully covered with insurance and guaranteed the finest medical attention in event of an unforeseen injury while competing.

The tournament will be divided into two divisions (senior and novice) of eight classes each, 112 lbs., 118 lbs., 126 lbs., 135 lbs., 147 lbs., 160 lbs., 175 lbs., and unlimited.

Both novice and senior winners will receive the coveted sterling silver belts emblematic of their city championship in addition to the traditional bathrobes and trunks. Each runner-up in both senior and novice classes, will receive suitable medals.

Get Crack at Nationals

In addition, each senior champion will be taken to Boston for the National A. A. U. championships, April 8 and 9, with all expenses paid and supervision.

Other individual prizes for outstanding fighters, not necessarily champions, are being arranged and will be announced as soon as the list is completed. Included in the list are several gold wristwatches, which will be handsomely engraved and which will be treasured mementos all through a boy's life.

During the past week, A. A. U. and Post officials conferred on several occasions and the machinery for making the tournament one of the city's outstanding events was shoved into high gear.

Entry blanks have been ordered and will be available as soon as the holiday rush is over. There is no charge for competing for registered athletes of the A.A.U. Unregistered boys may do so at the usual 25c fee, their card being good for a period of one year.

All bouts will be contested under existing A. A. U. rules. D. C. Boxing Commission doctors, inspectors and referees will handle all bouts.

Nats Returns Kimble To Toledo Mudhens

The Nats yesterday returned Shortstop Dick Kimble to Toledo of the American Association. Kimble joined the Nats in midseason last year and played well until an injury benched him. Kimble bats left-handed and club officials pointed out that the Nats will be overloaded with southpaw hitters next spring.

Upsie-Daisie—interception!

Associated Press WIREPHOTO

WAY UP—Frank Wilby, of R. P. I., leaps high to intercept an attempt to score as Bob Duin of U. S. Coast Guard Academy lets go a shot at the basket in their recent basketball game at Boston Garden. R. P. I. won, 46-39

Garden Fights Put 2 Millions In Jacobs Till

New York, Dec. 22 (AP).—Boxing Promoter Mike Jacobs shoved off today for a Florida vacation with the tinkle of a record $2,250,000 year for his indoor shows at Madison Square Garden chiming a merry Christmas tune.

With one show still to be held next Friday, the aggregate gross receipts for 42 fights is $2,215,968, an increase of $818,501 over the previous record of $1,396,467 compiled in 1944. The Freddie Schott-Joe Baksi heavyweight scrap on Friday is expected to draw a minimum $35,000.

An aggregate 534,736 fight fans turned out for the 42 shows. An additional 10,000 is expected for the Schott-Baksi shindig.

Rocky Graziano, the Brooklyn clouter who leaped into promience with five straight Garden knockouts, drew the largest "house" on September 28 when he flattened Harold Green in the third round. That night a standing room only crowd of 18,592 paid $103,970.

Two other scraps topped the 100-grand mark. Tami Mauriello and Lee Oma drew $101,918 on March 23 and Graziano and Freddie Cochrane $100,469 on August 24.

Three other matches were in the $90,000 or more category with Johnny Greco figuring in two of them. His bout with Bobby Ruffin on February 2 grossed $96,273 and his "rubber" affair with Tony Janiro on November 9, $94,433. Ray (Sugar) Robinson and Jake LaMotta drew $93,185 on February 23.

Missouri Valley To Let Frosh Play

St. Louis, Dec. 21 (AP).—The Missouri Valley Conference today continued indefinitely the wartime practice of permitting freshmen to compete in varsity intercollegiate athletics.

At the same time the faculty representatives of the seven schools gave the green light to immediate competition by returning servicemen.

English-Like Synthetic Cores In Golf Balls

By Richards Vidmer
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London Dec. 22.—Synthetic rubber may be the answer to the high cost of golf balls and certainly will solve the temporary problem of practically no golf balls at all in Britain judging by tests conducted here with the emergency type.

British golfers have been playing with "remolds" for six years and those who have been able to dig up half a dozen or so from their prewar supply of New Penfolds, Dunlops and Silver Kings, had no difficulty in selling them at $4 and $5 each. A two-line advertisement in the personal columns invariably brings a rush of business.

A Cheaper Rate

However, recent tests with synthetic rubber cored balls which will be put on the market shortly after the first of the year indicate that for the average club golfer, at least, the shortage problem is solved and he will be able to get as much distance as he did before the war, at a cheaper rate.

Reggie Horne, one of Britain's leading professionals, Charles Buchan, a former county amateur champion, and Wilfred Cronshaw, a twelve handicap player recently conducted a test on the Herndon course. Each player drove twelve tmies, four times with unused premoulds and four times with the new synthetic rubber cored ball.

Longer Off Tee

The results showed that for the pro the prewar ball is on an average of 17 yards longer off the tee than the synthetic type and 7 yards longer than the remoulds. For the top ranking amateur the synthetic ball actually averaged 4 yards longer than the prewar type, but for the average 12 handicap club golfer there was no difference. The actual distances were affected by a high wind and soggy turf that eliminated most of the run.

However, the tests were convincing to nonpartisan observers. The professionals, especially in tournament competion, undoubtedly will continue to insist on real rubber balls, constantly seeking maximum performance, but golfers club in the 80's and above can play just as well with the cheaper synthetic rubber balls, if they can overcome the psychological idea that they could do a little better with better implements.

Bahram Starts Buenos Aires Trek

New York, Dec. 22 (AP).—The 13-year-old English stallion, Bahram, recently purchased by an Argentine syndicate for $130,000, will start his long trek to Buenos Aires tomorrow.

Charley Lund, head of the syndicate which bought the son of Blandford earlier this month from an American group headed by Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, said Bahram would be loaded aboard the steamer Noonday. The horse probably will reach Buenos Aires within a month and then be transported to the Haras Chapadmalal farm at Mar Del Plata.

The Vanderbilt syndicate purchased the stallion for $160,000 from the Aga Khan in 1940 and imported him from England.

Arrives for Bout

Havana, Dec. 22 (AP).—Rampson Powell, Detroit middleweight, arrived here today to meet Mario Raul Ochoa of Cuba, in a boxing bout next Saturday night.

This Is Where These Crusaders Would Like to Have Miami University

Associated Press WIREPHOTO

BOWL BOUND—From the snows of Massachusetts to the sun-kissed shores of Miami is a lot of territorial difference and these members of Holy Cross' Orange Bowl eleven which meets Miami University New Year's day in the Florida classic don't expect to find weather like this when they arrive way down South. Anyway, this is where they would like to bury the Hurricane. Left to right are: Joe Byers, back; Charley Stephenson, center; Steve Conroy, back; Jim Dieckelman, end; Tom Donnalley, tackle and Lou LeMay

Hunting & Fishing

With Jack Bell

The following announcement by Col. Emerald F. Sloan has reached us, and we're passing it on:

"The director of civilian marksmanship announces that wartime restrictions on the activities of his office have now been lifted.

"Issues of authorized ordnance materials and supplies used in marksmanship will again be made to schools and clubs enrolled with his office.

"And that sales of certain materials and supplies in target practice will be resumed as fast as they become available.

"Sales will be made to senior members of the National Rifle Association."

It is not generally realized by the men who fought this war that the National Rifle Association is principally responsible for the development of the .22 rifle and pistol as basic training weapons and for their adoption by the armed services.

Another little-realized result of NRA's activities since the turn of the century, and particularly during the period immediately following World War I, was the development of a group of American scope-sight manufacturers who were among the most critically needed of American producers during the war. The military has always been critical of the association's competitions for scope-sighted rifles. "Silly, impracticable, waste of time and money which could be better devoted to iron sights events," has been a common complaint.

The association's encouragement of the use of the scope sight in the hunting field and the resultant development of scope mounts that can take the rough treatment that hunting demands, failed to convince the average military mind that riflemen could use to advantage scope sights.

But within 30 days of our initial engagements with the Japs there was a rush to obtain scopes and mounts and to establish sniper schools. Because the military had refused to become interested during prewar years, American forces were never supplied with either the quantity or quality of sniping equipment or scout-snipers that could have been used to advantage in many theaters.

Another example of a long established NRA program that paid wartime dividends was the junior club program. Although the association instituted rifle instruction and competition in secondary schools about 1906, the activity was confined to military schools and a few high schools in large cities until the .22 rifle earned respect as a training and target weapon in the 20's.

In 1926, 12,144 boys of high school age received instruction, and by 1940, the year before Pearl Harbor, the total of annual junior qualifications had reached 90,027. There were some unavoidable losses of junior and senior clubs during the war, but now with the release of supplies and ammunition, reports indicate that competitive rifle shooting and clubs are rapidly springing up all over the country.

The National Rifle Association enters 1946 in the strongest position and with the best prospects it has ever enjoyed during its almost half century of existence. The Congress of the United States has recognized the National Rifle Association of America as a quasi-governmental institution devoted to the promotion of small arm's practice as a part of the Nation's program of preparation for war. For more than a quarter of a century Congress has made appropriations under which the director of civilian marksmanship, War Department, has rendered direct aid to civilian clubs by issuing to them limited quantities of arms and ammunition.

Stirnweiss' .309 Average Lowest For A. L. Leader Since 1905

New Yorker Edges Out Cuccinello

Chicago, Dec. 22 (AP).—Hustling George Stirnweiss' last-day, photo-finish triumph over ancient Tony Cuccinello helped brighten things considerably, but still the 1945 batting race was the American League's most dismal show of plate power in 40 seasons.

The junior circuit today officially handed the hitting title to Stirnweiss, stubby New York Yankee second-sacker, for his .309 average, poorest championship mark since Elmer Flick of Cleveland won in 1905 with an all-time low of .306.

Cuccinello, who led virtually the entire campaign, finished one percentage point off the pace with .308.

Final official statistics showed the 37-year-old Chicago White Sox third baseman, wobbling on tired legs through his 15th and probably last major league season, played in only 118 games, while Stirnweiss saw action in every one of the Yankees' 152.

Stirnweiss also led the league in base hits with 195; stolen bases (for the second straigst year) with 33; runs scored, 107; total bases, 301; triples, 22; and most at bats, 632. Cuccinello banged 124 hits in 402 trips.

Below National Mark

Stirnweiss' .309 percentage was 46 points under the robust .355 that won the National League title for Phil Cavaretta, Chicago Cubs' first sacker—a bitter pill for American League partisans, who traditionally depict their circuit a society of superior sluggers.

Manager-Shortstop Lou Boudreau of the Cleveland Indians, who won the 1944 title with .327, was an unofficial third this year with .306, being limited by injury to only 97 games.

Other leaders, playing 100 or more games, including Jeff Heath, recently traded by Cleveland to Washington, and Boston's Tom McBride, .305; Johnny Dickshot of Chicago, .302; and Roberto Estalella of Philadelphia, .299. All are outfielders.

With Stirnweiss grabbing seven titles to further complicate Manager Joe McCarthy's second-base problem when Joe (Flash) Gordon returns from service, few offensive honors were left to other American Leaguers.

Stephens Homer King

Shortstop Vern Stephens of St. Louis dethroned First Baseman Nick Etten of New York as home run king with 24, while Wally Moses, venerable White Sox outfielder, led in doubles with 35. Second Baseman Leroy Schalk of Chicago had the most sacrifice hits, 24.

Jim Seerey, Cleveland's muscular outfielder, belted three home runs on July 13 to tie the single-game, Major League record and with a triple in the same contest matched the modern Major League mark for four long blows in one outing.

The fourth and final wartime season also took its toll in team batting with the championship going to the sixth-place White Sox with .262, eight points below Boston's 1944 winning mark of .270.

The Detroit tigers, pennant and world series winners, finished fifth with .256. Detroit's pace-seter was Second Baseman Eddie Mayo with .285. Hammerin' Hank Greenberg wound up with .311, but played in only 78 games.

It Never Rains at Rose Bowl Time in California

Associated Press WIREPHOTO

JUST DEW—Californians would have you believe precipitation out there is only a heavy dew. These natives waited for hours, some in vain, for the 7500 tickets that went on sale for the classic New Year's day game in Pasadena. The remaining 90,000 tickets are distributed chiefly through the two competing schools, Southern California and Alabama. The umbrellas came in handy and not as a sun shade

School Teams 'Hibernate' Until Jan. 2

By Herb Heft
Post Staff Writer

With two weeks of cage action to look back on, the District's scholastic basketball aggregations went into a period of hibernation yesterday that will last through the holiday season until January 2.

And from early season indications, at least seven teams can include in their hibernation dreams hopes of a prosperous New Year. Washington-Lee, George Washington, Montgomery Blair, Tech, Roosevelt, Bullis Prep and Eastern all have displayed promising form.

The Little Generals, who have already played against some of the strongest teams in the area, have rolled up six victories without a defeat. Opening their season on December 6, the Generals slapped down Woodward Prep, Mount Vernon and Charlotte Hall, each with at least 25 points to spare. Then they captured the suburban high school championship by walloping the formidable Blair and George Washington fives with plenty to spare, and Friday they routed Front Royal (Va.) High, 50-28.

Bullis-W-L Promising

Already observers are looking forward to the Bullis-Washington-Lee game slated for January 30. In Perry Currin, Dave Garber and George Binstead the Generals boast a triple threat that has averaged about 40 points per game. Bullis, which has easily won its only two games of the season, has in Arnie Ferrin the first former collegiate All-American ever to grace local scholastic cage courts. Because of inferior competition so far, Bullis Coach Al Grossman has kept Ferrin bench-ridden for the most part. In addition to Ferrin, Bullis also boasts Stu Brown, Josh Dorsey and Bill Tanney, former Wilson High stars.

Eastern's Ramblers, runners-up in last year's interhigh race, posed as a potent 1946 title threat this week with decisive victories over Woodward, Anacostia and George Washington High. Built around veteran Al D'Ambrosio, the Ramblers' attack has also featured scoring splurges by 5-foot 4-inch Kenny Burns, who has tallied 30 points in three games so far.

Interhigh's defending champion Tech cagers racked up their nineteenth and twentieth consecutive victories over a two-year period this week, when they whipped Hyattsville and National Training School, while using mostly reserves. Walt Olson's scoring antics have been especially encouraging to Coach Dutch Usilaner, who lost several key men from last year's team.

Wolfe Roosevelt Star

Undefeated Roosevelt High, with its new hero, Bernie Wolfe, at the helm, registered victory No. 2 with a 42-36 win over Bethesda-Chevy Chase. Wolfe, who had tallied 15 points in the Raiders' opening game, scored 29 points against the Barons to set a season's record. The grand floor play of George Theopoulos, Al Brady, John Huston and Ben Weisman have also been instrumental in the Rider triumphs.

Air Trainer . . .

China Honors Matty's Son For War Aid

By Garrett Waters
International News Service Sports Writer

The son of the man often called the greatest pitcher in baseball wore a medal today bearing the signature of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

He is Christy Mathewson, now a lieutenant colonel in the Army Air Forces, who chose the field of aviation for his profession rather than the great national game.

The unique decoration—the special Badge Cloud Banner—was pinned on Colonel Mathewson by Maj. Gen. P. T. Mow, head of the Chinese aeronautical mission to the United States, in ceremonies at the Chinese Embassy.

The medal was for his efforts in training Chinese airmen both before and during the war.

Missed Athletics

Colonel Mathewson matriculated at his famous father's alma mater, Bucknell University. He was rarely seen on the diamond or for that matter as a participant in other sports.

He graduated from Bucknell with a degree in electrical engineering and immediately set his mind on aviation.

He did some commercial flying in 1928 and then joined the Army Air Corps. He won his Army pilot's wings in 1930 and continued Army flying as a tactical pilot at Kelly Field and later as an observation pilot at Mitchell Field.

In June, 1932, Colonel Mathewson took off for China with a group of 14 other pilots, headed by Col. John H. Jouett. Their purpose was to establish the central aviation school at Hangkow.

Injury Voids Zeal

Colonel Mathewson had a three-year contract with the Chinese government as a pilot instructor. But it was absorbed after one year when an amphibious plane he was flying crashed. It was six months before he left a hospital in Shanghai, minus one leg.

He returned to the United States soon after this mishap and resumed his association with the Army in a civilian capacity.

Shortly after the United States entered war, Colonel Mathewson's commission was activated and he was ordered to Arizona, where Uncle Sam was running an aviation school for pilots, navigators and bombardiers, including many Chinese airmen.

Knowledge of the Chinese language, customs and characteristics of the people aptly fitted Colonel Matthewson for the job of liaison officer at the huge training center.

China's appreciation of his part in the training of more than 1000 Chinese combat pilots and crews was expressed by the presentation of the medal.

Fair Grounds

1—¾; $800; 4-year-olds up; claiming.

Half Grand, 114 (Guerin)	7.00	4.60	2.80
Sir Le, 111 (Hooper)		7.20	4.40
Man O' Mine, 114 (Filter)			2.20

Ancipital, Elaine B., Martharita, Bonnie Rue, Saintly, Tip Your Hat, Mervyn Le Roy.

2—9½; $900; 2-year-olds; claiming.

Miss Bobby Sox, 106 (Bass)	7.20	3.80	3.20
Leida, 106 (Hartwick)		2.80	2.40
Miss Pebble, 106 (Keese)			2.40

Stage Light, Betty Queen, Biz, Ophelia Lady, Fish Creek, Charles Bryce, Tar Babe.

DAILY DOUBLE PAID $26.20.

3—1½; $900; 3-year-olds up; allowances.

Ariel Image, 106 (Hartwick)	24.80	10.80	6.40
Ghost Hunt, 117 (Hooper)		6.20	3.60
*Taking Ways, 113 (Jenkins)			3.60
†Lady's Orphan, 111 (Filter)			2.80

Linn Creek, *Free Boy, †Kaspus, Seebecbee, *Drum Fire, Gallant Hour, Try Flying, Son's Style. *Field.

†Dead heat for third.

4—5½; $900; 3-year-olds up; allowances.

Uh Huh, 109 (McCoy)	32.60	13.20	7.60
Saulaus, 123 (Scurlock)		7.60	5.20
Valdina Clown, 112 (Keese)			6.00

Border Scout, *Four Tens, Forwic, Amperage, King's Glory, *Top Beau, Always Flying, Brushwood Boy, *Military Sir. *Field.

5—5½; $900; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Troop Train, 116 (Jones)	6.60	3.80	2.80
Tony G., 116 (Pena)		6.80	4.20
Ze Ze, 113 (Guerin)			4.40

Ariel Mission, Grey, *Royal Step, The Midge, *Scott's Indian, *Kanapolis, Ship Jr., Home Display, Bessie Vance. *Field.

6—1-70; $2500; 2-year-olds; handicap.

Privateersize, 114 (Russell)	4.20	3.00	2.60
Little Keith, 116 (Scurlock)		4.60	4.00
Paper Cup, 111 (Filter)			3.60

Tree Fit, *Mate Me, River Jack, *Judge Darey, *Frank Munns, Kendor, Anvelt, Bank Balance, Journal. *Field.

7—1⅛; $800; 4-year-olds up; claiming.

Valdina Sun, 106 (Hartwick)	7.20	4.80	3.80
Fine and Dandy, 111 (Richmond)		37.40	9.20
Good Get, 106 (West)			11.80

Blockader, Song Spinner, Color Week, Isle Pablo, Hardwrack.

8—1¼; $800; 4-year-olds up; claiming.

Swell Kid, 109 (Stroud)	12.80	7.00	5.00
*My Reward, 111 (Cooper)		7.20	4.40
Border Pat, 109 (Hartwick)			6.40

Ashburg, *Border Blitz, Best Suit, Van Or, *Reaper, Great Play, High Baggage, Tetradan, Merited. *Field.

Fair Grounds

1—¾; $800; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Flick	103	Gala Grip	103
Sona Dee	108	Inaquen	103
Gay Elf	103	Back to Back	108
Hy Stamp	103	Weeping	107
Hy Laura	108	Country Butter	107
Audrey M	108	Martlet	108
Myrna	112	Eva Del	100
Hawaiian Rock	103	Witchwork	112

2—¾; $900; maiden 3 and 4 year olds.

Prime Minister	122	Politics	116
Emrael	121	Julia Y	113
Baby Snuff	116	In Silver	119
Sister Fox	113	Ice Dancer	118
Lit	113	Credenda	118
As Bold	116	Captain Joe	116
Dolce Rosaria	118	Macendy	116
Fire Wand	118	Sun Gallahad	121

3—Mile 70; $800; 2-year-olds; claiming.

Golden Cloth	108	Taf	111
Order Arms	109	Syerman	114
Rodens Pal	109	Fortunia	106
Navy Relief	106	Staple Goods	106
Deadforme	114	Alvan	109

4—¾; $900; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Johnnie Ehret	114	Wengerra	111
Sole Prince	111	Columbus Day	114
Wise Decision	112	Rewarded	116
Michigan Chevy	119	Calco	111
Camera Man	119	Swain	114
Play Kitty	113	Loch Ness	106
Pipeliner	109	Miss Twinkle	108
Big Meal	106	Silver Top	116
Quick Tool	106	Vista	113

5—5½; $1000; 2-year-olds; allowances.

Ma Ge Too	116	Inotaile	116
Chalupa	108	Bloemcita	111
La La	113	Miss Evidence	113
Brown Dance	111		

6—Mile 70; $2500; all ages; handicap.

Latent	111	Deer-Yock	107
Lem's Baby	101	Miss Puritan	110
Sandstorm	116	Sassy Patricia	103
Ring Royal	105		

7—1/8; $900; 3-year-olds up; allowances.

Angle Bar	103	Hy Rickey	117
Not Now	112	Head Sea	108
Greenock Image	109	Executive	112
Quaker Brass	109	Clip Clap	111
Mighty Arab	105		

8—1⅛; $800; 3-year-olds up; allowances.

Knight Cappy	100	Tucaro Pilate	108
Trimdem	114	Singular	109
Hot Spark	114	El Henry	106
Mistocky	111	Lestabert	115
Gray's Day	109	Stoll	108

Gulf Stream

1—1½; $2000; 2-year-olds up; claiming.

Extricate	109	Hasty Foot	109
Busy Man	109	Wickliffe Gal	114
Bobdawn	111	Bell Call	114
Leader	101	Orwille	119
Make Fast	107	Unitran	109
Rare Flares	116	Hemboss	104
Lauderkin	114	Bourmont	114
Snowline	110	Good Gravy	115

2—¾; $2000; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

High One	118	Tinted Light	107
Time Flies	108	Pete's Kid	113
Dimension Sir	113	King Appell	113
Matab	115	Smoothy	110
All Charm	107	Polymelior	115
Blue Mate	105	Felt Hat	115
Restoration	110	Roman Abbot	115
Plandome	113	Petee Pat	115

3—¾; $2000; maiden 2-year-old c. and g.

Dixie Sweep	113	Waverly	118
Kivius Rex	118	New Dough	113
Contortionist	118	Fabrin	118
Irish Count	113	The Fakir	118
Ray O'Sullivan	118	Hibernian	118
Right Hand	118	Pharlo	118
Bullsel	118	Darby Doodit	118
Storm Play	113	Doug Crate	113

4—¾; $2000; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Libby Rose	112	Magic Realm	111
Mik O'Sullivan	112	Valdina Idol	117
Honey Bun	104	Freddies Game	107
Mercury	114	Meshach	117
Reversal	114	Miss Disical	109
Ksar of Audley	109	Hercules	109
Swing Shift	114	Flintee	111
Traction	117	Daisy Lee	109

5—5½; $3000; 3-year-olds up; allowances.

Hi Gallant	118	Epistar	108
Dagger	118	Epison	118
Patriotic Fox	108	Valdina Gino	115
Lee Fly	115	Fiver On	118
Sun Moss	110	Baby Kiddie	110
Hedgethorn	113	Spring Morning	117
Turncoat	118	Balladry	118
Halcyona	117	Unshakable	118

6—Mile; $2500; 3-year-olds; allowances.

John Q. Public	117	Sicot	112
†Billy F	107	Nowadays	120
Statesman	117	Alabama	117
Concerto	112	Mister Chat	112
Westport Point	109	Kewey Dee	112
Winsome Lad	117	Santa's Vixen	109

†Ed-Ell Stable entry.

7—Mile 70; $2200; 3-year-olds and up.

Ginokum	108	Gabe Paul	114
Gallant Chance	119	Rancoon	111
Grey Steel	119	John's Bird	109
Seeing Gold	119	Aladdo	116
Air Current	116	Director	109
Maybe Tops	114	Change Mars	119

8—Mile 70; $3000; 3-year-olds up; claim.

One Top	116	Uncle Moss	116
Nepeles	110	Ambranded	118
Good Ante	113	Tetrafire	113
Which Cup	108	Renraw	118
Mentaradana	111	Creole	112
King's Feast	115	Ebony Moon	112
Gay Buck	118	Reklaw	113
Countess Play	110	Peace Maker	113

GULFSTREAM SELECTIONS

1—Greville, Wickliffe Gal, Hemboss.
2—High One, Felt Hat, King Appell.
3—Hibernian, The Fakir, Waverly.
4—Mercury, Valdina Idol, Ksar of Audley.
5—Balladry, Hi Gallant, Dagger.
6—ALADDIN, Newsboys, Joan Q. Public.
7—Maybe Tops, Gabe Paul, Director.
8—King's Feast, Ambranded, Good Ante.

1—¾; $2000; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Good Fun, 107 (E. J. Martin) 5.40 3.60 2.80
Jem, 117 (Haskell) 8.80 6.30
Headoverheels, 117 (Higley) 6.90
Rats Case, Nariah, Twink Shot, Float Away, Darby Panju, Likeable, Tennessee Maid, Worries, Sixteen cents.

2—⅞; $2000; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Bar Willow, 114 (Hanesman) 4.10 3.20 2.80
First Fal, 105 (Cherry) 9.80 6.00
Feet Marie, 117 (Delara) 4.10
Limshouse, Kiddie's Image, Goldie's Honey, Damos, Victory Blue, Top Sergeant, Lady Flares.

DAILY DOUBLE PAID $32.20.

3—¾; $2000; 2-year-olds; allowances.

Mad Minute, 112 (Linnell) 4.80 3.00 2.60
Pomp's Gal, 117 (J. Jones) 4.20 3.20
Dick's Gal, 112 (Truschka) 4.70
Mullingar, Mon Tesh, Musical Comedy, Grand Prince, Sharp, Jackie Babs.

4—1½; $2000; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Over the Dam, 114 (Hanan) 83.90 15.80 9.10
Cadenza, 117 (Mosey) 5.10 4.00
Thalia, 112 (Jones) 3.30
Flange, Betty's Bob, †Sun Galomar, †Sure Fire, Hasty Brook, Neotrist, Elcan, Patch Party.
†J. Rae Stable and Mrs. O. C. Rasch entry.

5—1-70; $3000; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Entertainment, 108 (Wall) 9.00 5.50 3.90
Penny Pincher, 112 (Layton) 7.80 4.60
Gun Deck, 108 (Truschka) 4.60
Love Pact, Amiel, Record March, Miss Militant, Cohall, Canopus, Foxy Reap, Manadroit, Lisson.

6—1-70; $5000; 2-year-olds; handicap.

Twenty Fly, 118 (Wahsh) 7.10 3.80 2.40
Flag Drill, 117 (Basile) 5.60 3.90
Best Dress, 116 (Atkinson) 4.30
Della M., Court House, Galamtik, Buddie Boone, Little Benny, Goblin, Vasallo, The Problem.

7—1⅛; $2500; 3-year-olds up; allowances.

Our Marriek, 117 (Lisanti) 58.50 27.70 17.60
Lord Calvar, 119 (J. Jones) 5.30 3.80
Clansman, 119 (Basile) 4.30
Reason, Incoming, Chancegain, Oatmeal, Adroit, Do-Reigh-Mi, Malachi, Selwyn, Bushwacker.

8—1½; $2000; 4-year-olds up; claiming.

Smoke Puff, 109 (E.J.Martin) 11.60 6.90 5.00
Resolute II, 114 (Stanford) 6.50 4.20
Chief Adviser, 117 (J. Jones) 4.10
Peace Fleet, Darby Diadem, Cruiser, Sal's Sister, Mike K., Omaha Mike, Joe's Mistake, Pettacairn, Bonnie Golos.

FAIRGROUNDS SELECTIONS

1—Back to Back, Myrna, Audrey M.
2—Follies, Captain Joe, Prime Minister.
3—Goodforme, Staple Goods, Fortunia.
4—WISE DECISION, Camera Man, Johnnie Ehret.
5—Inotaile, Ma Ge Too, Columbus Day.
6—Deer-Yock, Latent, Sandstorm.
7—Quaker Brass, Greenock Image, Hy Rickey.
8—Lestabert, Stoll, Tucaro Pilate.

34 Minor Leagues to Operate In Baseball's Huge '46 Boom

New York, Dec. 22 (AP).—Baseball is all set for a postwar boom with 34 minor leagues ready to open the gates in 1946, an increase of 22 over the number that operated a year ago.

Arthur H. Ehlers, promotional director of the National Asociation, is working with several other circuits still in the formative stage. It is possible that the all-time high of 44 leagues, reached just before World War II, will be approached before spring training time rolls around.

Most of the increase is shown in Classes C and D because the higher-ranking units of the minor league structure weathered the four years of war in good shape, only the Texas League failing to operate. Seventeen of the 22 "new" loops will belong to the two lower classes, the key points in the development of young players.

Expansion of the farm systems of the major league teams has been an important factor in the rebirth of the minors.

As of today the new setup will include three leagues in Class AAA, two in Class AA, two in Class A, five in Class B, nine in Class C and 13 in Class D.

South Dominates

The leagues that suspended during the war have been restored to active status, nine loops that disbanded have been reorganized and three entirely new circuits have been added. Exactly half of the 34 minor units will be located in the South.

Still in the process of organization are the Middle Atlantic and Border leagues in Class C and the North Atlantic League in Class D. An attempt to set up a Corn Belt League has been deferred until 1947. Other groups have not reached the name stage but are making tentative plans.

With the 34 leagues operating, approximately 4000 players will be required, necessitating the biggest talent shuffle in the history of the sport. Many of the "new" and "revived" circuits will be starting from scratch as their players were declared free agents when they disbanded.

This is how the minors will line up in 1946:

Active Leagues That Operated in 1945

CLASS AAA—American Association, Pacific Coast, International. Class AA—Southern Association. Class A—Eastern. Class B—Interstate, Piedmont. Class C—Caroline. Class D—Appalachian, North Carolina State, Ohio State and Pony.

Suspended Leagues Restored To Active Status

CLASS AA—Texas. Class A—South Atlantic. Class B—Three-I, Western International. Class C—Canadian-American, Pioneer, Northern, Western Association. Class D—Georgia-Florida, Wisconsin State.

Disbanded Leagues Reorganized

CLASS B—Southeastern. Class C—California, East Texas, West Texas-New Mexico. Class D—Coastal Plain, Eastern Shore, Florida State, Evangeline, Kitty.

New Leagues

CLASS C—Florida-International. Class D—Georgia-Alabama, Kansas-Oklahoma-Missouri (Kom).

On 83d Birthday, Connie Mack Looks Brightly at the Future

St. Petersburg, Fla., Dec. 22 (AP).—Connie Mack, baseball's grand old man, celebrated his eighty-third birthday today and with a shrewd look into the future he pitched a few fast ones around the year 2000.

Not that the venerable Mr. Mack—he was born Cornelius McGillicuddy—woresees any atomic changes in the national sport itself.

But nostalgic old-timers who believe that the titans of the golden past can never be excelled might as well start in ducking right here.

Mack

Now pitching, Mr. McGillicuddy:

"Babe Ruth's great home run record won't last," he said in an interview. "Nor will the other heroic marks still be standing in the year 2000.

"With the lively ball back in the game, some youngster will come along to hit 'em farther and oftener and become the new sultan of swat.

Game Is More Stable

"The game won't change as much as the players. The players always get better because the example has been set. Records are made to be broken. It's the same in every sport.

"I think of John L. Sullivan against the fast-weaving, fast-hitting boxers of today. It's a question whether John L., in his prime, could even hit a man like Billy Conn at all.

"I remember in the old days, if we threw out one out of four or five from behind the bat, we thought we were good. Today if we don't throw 'em all out, we don't belong up there."

The rules?

"I think the rules are good today," he said. "The people understand them pretty well, and the fewer changes the better."

Turning to his own Philadelphia Athletics, the club he guided to nine American League pennants and five victories in eight world series, Mack's keen old eyes grew wistful.

"My one great desire is to give Philadelphia another great ball team," he said. "We'll be in there trying, but I realize it's a question at my age if I'll ever have another world's championship club. It's a hard game. . . . A hard game."

Then he smiled.

"As one of my former players, now in Boston, said, 'Connie Mack is down—let's keep him down'."

The veteran sage of the dugout turned back the clock to discuss the long and hotly debated legend of why he "broke up" his famous 1914 team.

"I don't know how that story ever got started," he said. "I didn't break up the club. It was simply that the old Federals offered our stars three times more money than we could pay them, and we had to let them go. I remember we were paying Eddie Collins $25,000 for a three-year contract. The Federals offered him $20,000 just to sign a new contract and $15,000 a year."

Still spry as a grasshopper, Mack said he hadn't even thought of retiring.

Can't Stay Away

"I'll be there watching the young fellows when we start spring training at Palm Beach in mid-February," he said. "I love the game too much to quit."

Tonight Mack was honored guest at a banquet of 500, sponsored by his friend of 54 years standing, Al Lang, former Mayor of St. Petersburg and Florida's "Ambassador of Baseball."

As part of the festivities, he broadcast on a 268-station hookup to exchange greetings with 83-year-old Amos Alonzo Stagg, the grand old man of football, and with Jack Norwood, composer of "Take Me Out to the Ball Game," out in Los Angeles.

A. L. Batting Averages

AMERICAN LEAGUE BATTING RECORDS
(Compiled by Howe News Bureau, Chicago, Ill.)

CLUB BATTING

Name of Club	AB	R	OR	H	TB	2B	3B	HR	SB	LOB	Pct.
Chicago	5077	596	633	1330	1710	304	55	22	78	1082	.262
Boston	5367	599	674	1393	1856	225	44	50	72	1225	.260
New York	5176	676	606	1343	1933	189	61	93	54	1197	.259
Washington	5326	622	562	1375	1779	197	63	27	110	1173	.258
Detroit	5257	633	585	1345	1897	227	47	77	80	1105	.256
Cleveland	4898	557	548	1249	1756	216	48	65	19	1091	.255
St. Louis	5227	597	548	1302	1780	215	37	63	25	1138	.249
Philadelphia	5296	494	638	1297	1671	201	37	33	25	1147	.245
Totals	41624	4774	4774	10634	14381	1874	392	430	453	9138	.255

INDIVIDUAL BATTING
Ten or More Games

Name and Club	Bats	G	AB	H	TB	2B	3B	HR	SB	Pct.
Henry, Cleveland	L	16	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	.500
Fowler, Philadelphia	R	18	18	8	12	2	1	0	0	.444
Salveson, Cleveland	R	19	10	4	9	2	0	1	0	.400
Appling, Chicago	R	18	58	21	30	2	2	1	1	.362
Lewis, Washington	L	69	258	86	120	14	7	2	1	.333
Benjamin, Cleveland	R	21	7	2	2	0	0	0	0	.333
Fleming, Cleveland	L	42	146	46	69	10	2	3	0	.329
Greenberg, Detroit	R	78	270	84	147	20	2	18	3	.311
Lazor, Boston	L	101	335	104	142	19	2	5	3	.310
Stirnweiss, New York	R	152	632	195	301	32	22	10	33	.309
Cuccinello, Chicago	R	118	402	124	161	25	3	2	6	.308
Boudreau, Cleveland	R	97	346	106	141	24	1	3	0	.306
Heath, Cleveland	L	102	370	113	183	16	7	15	3	.305
McBride, Boston	R	105	344	105	133	11	7	1	2	.305
Potter, St. Louis	L	32	92	28	30	2	0	0	0	.304
Dickshot, Chicago	R	130	486	147	198	19	10	4	18	.302
Keller, New York	L	41	163	49	94	7	4	10	0	.301
Estalella, Philadelphia	R	126	451	135	196	25	6	8	1	.299
Layne, Washington	L	51	147	44	60	5	4	1	0	.299
Myatt, Washington	L	133	490	145	179	17	7	1	30	.296
Moses, Chicago	L	140	569	168	239	35	18	2	11	.295
Schultz, St. Louis	L	44	13	13	15	2	0	0	0	.295
Case, Washington	R	123	501	148	180	19	5	1	30	.295
Hockett, Chicago	L	106	417	122	136	23	4	2	10	.293
Lopat, Chicago	L	32	82	24	31	4	0	1	0	.293
Busby, Cleveland	R	25	35	10	14	1	0	0	0	.286
Smith, Cleveland	R	25	41	11	16	2	0	0	0	.268
Meyer, Cleveland	R	130	524	153	219	29	8	5	1	.292
Newsome, Boston	R	135	438	127	165	30	1	1	8	.290
Gardner, Washington	L	44	131	38	42	3	1	0	2	.290
Stephens, St. Louis	R	149	571	165	270	27	9	24	5	.289
Shirley, St. Louis	R	43	76	20	21	1	0	0	1	.286
Johnson, Chicago	L	29	14	4	6	2	0	0	0	.286
Etten, New York	L	133	465	131	247	14	4	18	2	.282
Kuhel, Washington	L	142	553	152	212	29	13	3	10	.275
Mayo, Detroit	L	134	501	143	208	24	3	10	7	.285
Lindell, New York	R	41	159	45	60	6	3	1	2	.283
Outlaw, Chicago	R	98	324	91	132	15	7	4	3	.281
Robinson, New York	L	50	160	45	77	6	1	8	0	.281
Geisel, New York	R	27	16	15	18	2	0	1	0	.281
Johnson, Boston	R	143	529	148	225	27	9	12	5	.280
Lake, Boston	R	133	473	132	194	27	1	11	9	.279
Mackiewicz, Cleveland	R	120	359	98	132	14	7	3	5	.273
Ullrich, Washington	R	22	6	7	7	1	0	0	0	.273
Keli, Philadelphia	R	147	567	154	202	30	3	4	2	.272
Cullenbine, Cleveland-Detroit	Both	154	536	146	238	28	5	18	2	.272
Outlaw, Detroit	R	132	446	121	147	16	5	0	6	.271
Ross, Detroit-Cleveland	R	114	392	106	133	19	1	2	2	.270
Drescher, New York	L	48	126	34	39	3	1	0	0	.270
Borom, Detroit	L	55	130	35	39	4	0	0	4	.269
Mancuso, St. Louis	R	119	365	98	120	13	3	1	0	.268
Siebert, Philadelphia	L	147

Business Outlook

By J. A. Livingston

THE United States—and for that matter most of the world—is operating on a price-plus basis. It isn't the price that's paid for goods and services that makes the big dent in the corporation profit-and-loss account or the housewife's budget, it's what they have to go through to get what they want. Buying these days is an adventure in economics and artifice. And it comes under the head of hidden inflation.

When the manufacturer sends special emissaries to suppliers to beg delivery, or when the company building a warehouse sends its own trucks to the lumber yard to bring back roofers, it doesn't show up in OPA's prices, but the cost accountant knows about it.

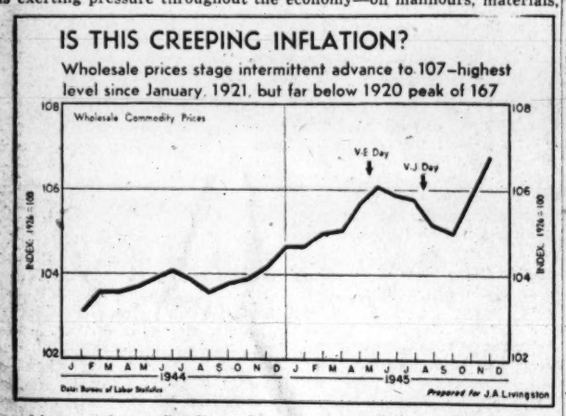
When the harried car owner slips the garage mechanic a bottle of Old Overholt to do an overhaul job, the indexes don't catch the price rise, but it goes on the expense account.

When OPA and CPA (nee WPB) try to allocate wool clothing to returning veterans, that, too, is inflation. We don't let prices go up, we issue privileges—priorities—to buy, instead.

Yes, and the statistics are creeping up, too. As the chart indicates, wholesale commodity prices have been moving up gradually for two years and more. The rise isn't large—but its significant: 103 at the beginning of 1944 and 107 today. It shows up in the official cost of living data: 124 in January, 1944, and 129 now.

Money, Money Everywhere

There is a scarcity of nearly everything but money, and the money is exerting pressure throughout the economy—on manhours, materials, machines, and merchandise. Instead of permitting goods to go to the highest bidder, OPA fixes prices. Result: a seller's or dealer's choice economy. And inflation goes on deviously underneath the ceilings—in new ways of doing business.



The new cars go to friends of the dealer, or old customers, or to the man who is willing to pay a bonus of one sort or another. Thus, OPA doesn't cure inflation; it changes its symptoms and manifestations. You don't necessarily spend more money on goods, but you do spend an awful lot of time and money getting and producing them. And products and producers change in the process—often with uneconomic results.

Typical is the shifting back and forth of manufacturers between lines. A firm which can't get a price rise will drop its product and shift to something new. It can then get a cost-of-production price. Result, a manufacturer of draperies goes into dresses and a manufacturer of dresses goes into draperies. Quality goes down, prices manage to go up. The public pays.

OPA's Predicament

OPA's policies perforce aggravate the supply problem. It cannot grant price increases freely, or everyone would demand a price boost. So it must put off granting price relief. At the same time, it cannot well okay whatever manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers want; that would be tantamount to authorizing the inflation it is fighting off.

So, it holds more or less rigidly to formula, unavoidably slows production and distribution, and brings upon itself the senatorial admonition that "the tree that doesn't bend in the wind won't survive."

Two Sides to Price Control

Price control is the Administration's great dilemma. If it lets go control, it fears prices will rise. But if it doesn't let go, hidden inflation will persist alongside creeping inflation. As with everything, price control has two sides:

1. Where shortages exist, control tends to keep overt prices in check and slows the rise in living costs.

2. But it tends to repress the incentive to produce; it keeps out the marginal manufacturers and wholesalers—the persons who will beat the byways of production and trade—to deliver goods to buyers at a price.

One thing is certain: Though the United States is in an inflationary period, it is not facing the European-type inflation of the last postwar period. The wild-and-wooly inflation in France and the far wilder and woolier one in Germany were directly attributable to a great scarcity of consumer goods, a breakdown of industrial plant, shortages of raw materials, and inability to import. Germany, for example, had neither credit, foreign exchange, nor goods. People tried to get rid of marks; they tried to buy dollars, or gold, or goods.

The Almighty Dollar

Nobody in his right senses would try to flee from the dollar to another currency. The dollar, backed by 20 billion dollars of gold, is still the strongest currency in the world—stronger than the pound, the peso, the krona, or the franc. Moreover, the country has great resources—manpower, materials, and machines. The worst that could happen—were price control lifted—would be a sharp rise, and then as goods came pouring from the mines and factories, a drop in prices.

But a violent spiral, a flight from money a la Germany is not in the books—not with the dollar where and what it is in world markets. Bearing on this, it's worth noting that U. S. commodity prices today are still 35 per cent below the peak after the last war. That's a tribute both to OPA and to America's capacity to produce.

Meanwhile, business plods along. Ton-miles hauled by the railroads, though down from the wartime peak, are at a peacetime high. Electric power output similarly is down from the wartime high but is above the previous peacetime record. And steel production holds around 83 per cent of capacity.

But business is in a state of suspense—waiting to see what will happen in mid-January when the steel workers are due to strike. Nevertheless, retail sales continue to boom. And, as if to add their commentary on the period, Christmas-card manufacturers just closed their books on the highest dollar volume of business in their history. But they didn't sell a record number of cards. They didn't have to. Another bit of evidence of inflation.

New York Bond Prices

Total bond sales yesterday, $3,011,000; previous day, $4,370,000; week ago, $3,308,500; year ago, $3,200,000; two years ago, closed; January 1 to date, $2,237,074,810; year ago, $2,649,189,900; two years ago, $3,207,294,425.

Dow-Jones Bonds

New York, Dec. 22.

	Close	Net ch.
40 Bonds	108.62	+0.02
10 First rails	115.64	+0.02
10 Second rails	101.85	+0.11
10 Utilities	108.96	
10 Industrials	105.63	—0.04

Sales in thousands	High	Low	Close
7 Am T & T 2¾ '75	103⅛	103⅛	103⅛
6 Am T & T 3 '56	147	146⅝	147
10 Am T & T 2¾ '80	102⅝	102⅛	102⅝
7 Am Tob 3 '62	105⅝	105⅛	105⅛
33 B&O 95 A	94⅛	93⅛	94⅛
14 B&O 95 C	100	100	100
10 B&O 2000 D	93¼	92⅞	93¼
10 B&O 96 F	93	92¾	93
46 B&O cv '60	77⅛	76	77⅛
20 B&O BW '50	103	102¾	103
12 Bost Me 4 '60	103⅝	103⅝	103⅝
2 BCR&N 5 '34	48¼	48¼	48¼
4 Can G cn 5 '45	78	78	78
10 Can Pac 3 '60	105⅛	105⅛	105⅛
31 CRRNJ 5 '87	47	46	46⅝
11 Chi & A 3 '49	84⅛	84	84⅛
8 C&EI inc 97	74	74	74
3 CGW 4 '88	97¾	97¾	97¾
26 Chi I & L 5 '66	21⅞	21⅛	21⅞
42 C&NW 4½ '99	94⅝	94⅛	94⅝
11 CRIP 4½ '52 A	71	71	71
47 CRIP 4½ '60	29¾	29½	29¾
3 CRI&P 4 '88	93½	93½	93½
146 CRIP r 4 '34	66	65⅝	65½
4 CCC&I 4½ '77	98⅞	98¾	98⅞
9 Col G 5 '61	104⅜	104	104
3 Del & H 4 '63	104	104	104
3 D & R G 4 '36	67⅛	67⅛	67⅛
21 D & R G W 5 '55	17⅛	17	17
5 DRGW 5 '55a	16	16	16
6 Det Ed 3 '70	107¾	107¾	107¾
19 Erie 4½ 2015	99	99	99
3 Gen R & U 4 '69	80¾	80¾	80¾
11 Hud C 5 '62 A	80	80	80
21 IC 4 '53	102	101¾	102
3 IC 4½ '66	95	94¾	95
14 ICCBL 5 '63 A	102½	102	102⅛
3 ICCBL 4½ '63	97⅞	97⅞	97⅞
20 Int C N 5 '52	50½	49	50⅛
14 Leh V 5 2003 st	63	63	63
14 Int T & T 4½ '52	103	103	103
10 Leh C N 5 '45 B	79¼	79¼	79¼
20 Leh V 4½ 2003	56¼	55⅞	56⅛
44 Leh V 4 2003	53¾	53½	53¼
61 M-K-T 5 '62 A	100	98¾	100
8 M-K-T 4½ '78	93	92	93
114 M-K-T 1st 4 '90	97	95½	97
22 Mo P 5½ '49	46¾	46	46
19 Mo P 5 '65 A	98	97	98
16 MoP 5 '77 F	97⅞	97½	97⅞
13 MoP 5 '89 H	97¼	97¼	97⅝
97 MoP g 4 '75	64	63	63
5 MoP 5 '81 I	97½	97½	97½
58 NYC 4½ 2013 A	98¼	97¾	98⅛
24 NYC cn 4 '98	99¾	99¾	99¾
30 NYNHH 4 '48	72¼	72	72¼
28 NYNHH 4½ '67	71	71	71
9 NYNHH 4 '56	68⅛	68⅛	68⅛
7 NYNHH 4 '57	35¾	35¾	35¾
13 NYOW g 4 '55	12¾	12¾	12¾
35 NYOW r 4 '92	21½	21½	21½
5 Norf S 5 2014	88½	88½	88½
50 Nor P 3 2047	86	85⅝	86
7 OWRRN 3 '60	105¾	105⅜	105⅝
9 Peo & E 4 '60	92	92	92
46 Rio G W 4 '49	79½	79½	79½
75 St L&SF 5 '50 A	67⅞	67	67⅞
107 St LSF 4½ '78	46	45	45¼
95 St LSF 4 '50 A	63¾	63	63
6 Sea A L g 6 '45	73¾	73¾	73¾
5 Skelly O 3½ '65	102⅛	102⅛	102⅛
5 Soc-Vac 3 '64	106⅛	106⅛	106⅛
14 So Pac 4½ '68	103⅛	103⅛	103⅛
14 So Pac 4½ '81	105⅝	105⅝	105⅝
11 So Pac 4½ cr '67	105⅛	105	105
5 So P S P 4 '50	105⅝	105⅛	105⅛
19 So Pac 2½ '61	101¼	101¼	101⅛
6 Sou Ry g 4 '56	104⅛	104⅛	104⅛
8 Std O N J 3 '61	105	105	105
5 Un Oil Cal 2¾ '70	102⅝	102⅝	102⅝
15 Un Ave 5 '60	52⅛	52⅛	52⅛
5 Un Pac 1st 4 '47	104⅛	104⅛	104⅛
5 Va E & P 2¾ '75	102⅛	102⅛	102⅛
2 Ward Bak 5½ '70	108⅛	108⅛	108⅛
7 W Sh 4 2361	92⅝	92⅝	92⅝
8 West Un 5 '60	108¼	108¼	108¼
36 Wis Cen 4 '49	87⅛	86¾	87⅛
8 Wis C 4 SD '36	39	39	39

New York Cotton

New York, Dec. 22 (AP).—The cotton market displayed a steady tone during most of today's session but at the close preholiday liquidation found prices 15 cents a bale lower to 5 cents higher.

A statement attributed to Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson that American cotton prices will remain above the world price for some time which suggested the continuation of export subsidiaries, accounted for some of the demand.

	Open	High	Low	Last	
March	24.67	24.68	24.64	24.63	—2
May	24.59	24.60	24.58	24.58	—1
July	24.40	24.41	24.38	24.40	—1
October	23.47	23.50	23.51	23.48	1
December	23.40	23.40	23.31	23.31	—3
March	23.26	23.26	23.26	23.21	—3

Middling, spot, 2.39 nominal, off 3.

Stocks Close Losing Week With Uptilt

New York, Dec. 22 (AP).—Short covering and reinstatement of sold-out accounts gave selected stocks a good lift today after the market had staggered through a generally losing week.

From the start of the final session demand centered on motors, steels, rails, metals, merchandisers and specialties. Medium and low-quoted issues came out in sizable blocks but dealings, on the whole, were light. Gains of fractions to 2 or more points were widespread at the close with a few "thin" issues achieving much wider jumps. Transfers for the two hours totaled 610,000 shares, compared with 620,000 last Saturday and were the smallest since September 22.

Aiding the automotive group and sentiment elsewhere was the General Motors-union agreement to resume negotiations in an effort to settle the strike. Dividend expectations were helpful. Much of the buying was predicated on the idea the seasonal rally between Christmas and New Year's Day would eventuate. This has happened in 43 of the past 47 years.

Boardrooms were sparsely populated as numerous customers had already departed on their lengthy holiday. Principal securities exchanges shut down at noon not to reopen until next Wednesday.

The Associated Press 60-stock composite was up six-tenths of a point at 75, but on the week was down 1.2 points. The market was the narrowest since September 22, only 734 issues registering. Of these, 535 advanced, 77 declined and 122 were unchanged.

At new highs for the year or longer on the day were New York Central, American Water Works, Gimbel (ahead 7¾ points), Cerro de Pasco, Consolidated Vultee, Shamrock Oil, Roan Antelope, Budd Mfg. and Panhandle Producing. Liveliness of some metals was due to the possibility of boosted ceilings because of growing shortages.

Bonds steadied. At Chicago wheat and oats were unchanged to up ½ and ¾ cent a bushel, respectively. Rye was off ¾ to up 2⅝. Cotton was down 15 cents to up 5 cents a bale.

WHAT STOCKS DID	Sat.	Fri.
Advances	535	316
Declines	77	284
Unchanged	122	177
Total issues	734	877

First Holiday in 4 Years For Pittsburgh Mills

Pittsburg, Dec. 22 (AP).—For the first time in four years, Pittsburgh district steel mills will observe the Christmas holidays, reducing the week's production to 62.5 per cent of theoretical capacity. All mills will curtail operations Christmas Day and some are planning a two to three day shutdown.

Near-Capacity Output

New York, Dec. 22 (AP).—Paper production of United States Mills was at a rate of 99 per cent of capacity in the week ended December 15, unchanged from the previous week, the American Paper and Pulp Association reported today. This compared with a rate of 89 per cent in the corresponding week a year ago.

Rail's Net Decreases

Pere Marquette Railway reports net income of $2,188,847 for the first 11 months of 1945, compared with $2,761,409 for a like period in 1944.

Over-the-Counter

These bid and asked quotations represent prices at which one or more dealers, members of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., would trade with the general public at the time the quotations were gathered:

Bonds	Bid.	Asked.
City Club 1st 6s	60	
D. C. Paper Mills 3s, 1946	40	
Federal Storage 3s, 1967	70	
National Press Bldg. 3-5c, '56	100⅛	
National Press Club 4½s, '50	80	
Raquet Club gtd and ext 3s, '65	73	
Seaboard Finance Corp 5s, '50	99½	102
Wash Auditorium 6s, 1944	84	
Wash Properties 7s, 1952	101	103½
Stocks		
American Co pf	64	
American Co com	17	
Anacostia Bank	170	
Barber & Ross pf	70	
Barber & Ross common	19	
City Bank	40	
Columbia Mtge Co units	92	
Columbia National Bank	265	
Consolidated Title Co pf	43	
Consolidated Title Co com	9	
District National Securities pf	60	
Fidelityt Storage Co	100	
Financial Credit Co units	19	
Griffith Consumers Corp com	53	
Hamilton Nat Bank	46½	48½
Hamilton Nat Bank fractions	11½	12½
International Finance Co units	19	
Mayflower Hotel	12½	
Merchants Trans &Storage com	11	
Mt Vernon Mtge Corp pf	32	
Mt Vernon Mtge Corp com	4½	
Morris Plan Bank	34	36
Munsey Trust Co	109	
National Metropolitan Bank	79	
National Mtge & Inv com	⅝	
National Press Bldg. pf	9¾	
National Press Building com	3½	
Raleigh Hotel	79	
Real Estate Mtge & Gty "A"	1½	
Real Estate Mtge & Gty "B"	3	
Seaboard Finance Corp pf	30	32
Seaboard Finance com	13½	15½
Second National Bank	85	
Security Sav & Coml Bank	172	190
Southern Oxygen Co	40	
Suburban National Bank	23	
Washington Properties	60	
Washington Ry & El Co units	19¼	20¾
Washington Sanitary Housing	115	
Wash Sanitary Improvement	25	

Chicago Grain

Chicago, Dec. 22 (AP).—Demand for grain futures broadened to the new crop months somewhat today, but with most interest still centering on May rye.

Offerings of virually all grains continued light agains usual strong demand, particularly for cash wheat and corn, but commission house buying and short covering afforded the light touch necessary to bid the price up.

Wheat closed unchanged to ½ cent higher than the previous finish, May, 1.80½; corn was unchanged at 1.18½ ceilings; oats were unchanged to ¼ higher, May, 77½@77¾; rye was ¾ lower to 2¾ higher, May, 1.73¾@1.73¾; barley was ; to ¾ lower, May, 1.22½.

Wheat—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	1.80½	1.80½	1.80½	1.80½
July	1.77⅞	1.78½	1.77⅞	1.78⅝
September	1.75¼	1.75½	1.75¼	1.75⅝
Corn—				
May	1.18½	1.18½	1.18½	1.18½
July	1.18⅛	1.18⅛	1.18⅛	1.18⅛
September	1.18⅛	1.18⅛	1.18⅛	1.18⅛
Oats—				
May	77½	78	77½	77⅝
July	74½	75½	74½	75
September	71⅞	72¼	71⅞	72⅛
Rye—				
May	1.72	1.73¾	1.71½	1.73⅝
July	1.44½	1.44½	1.44¼	1.44½
September	1.43⅝	1.45½	1.42⅝	1.42⅝
Barley—				
July	1.17½	1.17½	1.17½	1.17⅜
May	1.22¼	1.23¼	1.22¼	1.22

Cash Grain

Chicago, Dec. 22 (AP).—WHEAT—No. 2 red and No. 2 hard, 1.19 nominal.

NEW CORN—1.16 nominal.

OATS—No. 1 white, extra heavy, 84; No. 3 white, heavy, 81.

BARLEY—Nominal; malting, 1.21@1.30½; feed, 1.15@1.23.

FIELD SEED—Per hundredweight nominal: timothy, 5.25@5.50; red clover, 31.50; sweet clover, 10.75; alsike, 28.50; alfalfa, common, 33.50@36.50.

Naval Stores

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 22 (AP).—TURPENTINE—Receipts and shipments, none; stocks, 12.

ROSIN—Receipts, 33; shipments, none; stocks, 7066.

Quotations on the New York Stock Exchange

By the Associated Press

Total stock sales yesterday, 610,000 shares; previous day, 940,000; week ago, 619,360; year ago, 529,850; two years ago, closed; January 1 to date, 378,213,308; year ago, 256,351,938; two years ago, 274,039,185.

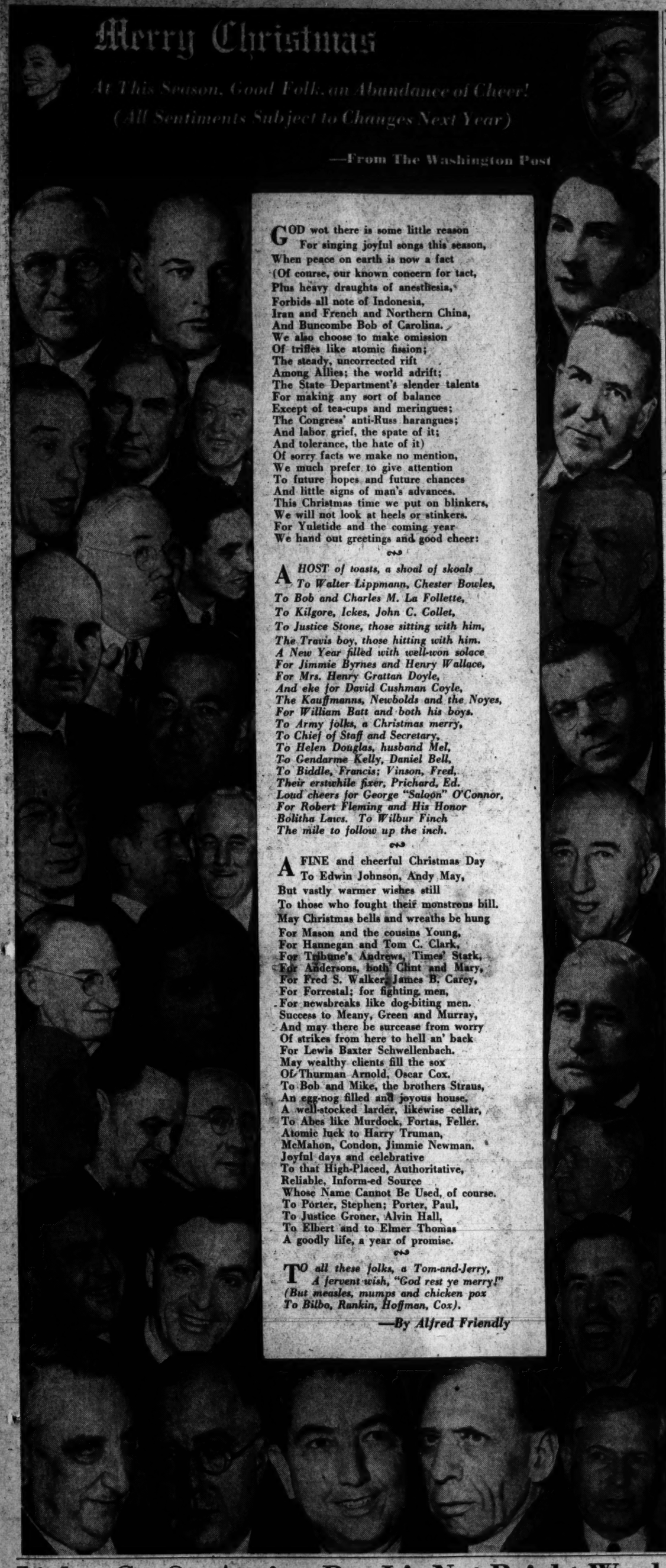
Dow-Jones Stocks

New York, Dec. 22.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Net ch.
30 Inds	189.87	190.87	189.75	190.67	+1.60
20 Rails	62.87	63.35	62.76	63.19	+0.53
15 Utils.	37.79	37.99	37.66	37.86	+0.26
65 Stks	71.34	71.78	71.27	71.68	+0.50

Transactions in stocks, used in averages today: Industrials, 30,900; rails, 53,340; utilities, 44,660; total, 128,840.

	Sales Add 00	High	Low	Close	Net Ch'ge
ACF-Brill Mot.	43	17⅞	16½	17½	+1½
Acme St	1	32¼	32½	32½	
Adams Exp	1	21⅜	21⅜	21⅜	+⅛
Addressog- Mult	6	32⅞	32⅛	32⅞	+⅛
Admiral Corp	3	18⅝	18⅜	18⅝	+⅛
Air Reduction	6	55⅛	54½	55⅛	+1⅛
Alaska Juneau	14	8¾	8¾	8¾	+⅛
Allegheny Corp	32	1⅝	1⅝	1⅝	+⅛
Alleghany pf	8	97¼	97	97¼	+⅛
Allg Lud Stl	20	39⅛	38⅝	39⅛	+1
Al Chem & Dye	1	186	186	186	+1½
Allied Mills	1	33¾	33⅝	33¾	
Allied Strs	11	46	45¾	46	+2
Allis-Ch Mfg	3	54	53½	53½	—¼
Alpha P Cem	1	31½	31½	31½	
Amal Leather	1	9¾	9¾	9¾	
Am Airlines	4	87	84⅜	87	+2
Am Bank Note	2	39¼	39¼	39¼	—1
Am Bosch	1	21⅞	21⅞	21⅞	
Am Brake Sh	1	50½	50½	50½	—1
Am Cable&Rad	12	16	15⅞	16	+⅛
Am Can	2	99¾	99⅛	99¾	
Am Car & Fdy	8	66½	65¼	66½	+2½
Am Ch & Cable	1	49	49	49	+¼
Am Colortype	1	25⅝	25⅝	25⅝	—⅛
Am Crystal Sug	1	25	25	25	
Am Distill	2	50	50	50	
Am Encaus Til	6	9	8¼	9	+¾
Am & For Pow	7	7¼	7¼	7¼	+⅛
Am & F P 3 pf	2	34¾	34½	34¾	+1
Am Hide & Lea	4	9⅛	9	9⅛	+⅛
Am Hi & L pf	1	57	57	57	—½
Am Home Prod	1	105	105	106	—2
Am Ice	11	13	12⅞	13	+⅛
Am Internat	1	14	14	14	
Am Inv Ill pf	1	50½	50½	50½	—½
Am Locomot	18	38⅝	38	38⅝	+⅛
Am M & Fdy	1	36⅛	36⅛	36⅛	
Am M & Met	1	17⅜	17⅜	17⅜	+⅛
Am Metal	6	36¾	36⅛	36⅝	+⅜
Am News Co	1	78⅞	78⅜	78⅞	
Am Pow & Lt	42	12⅛	11⅞	12	+⅛
Am P&L $6 pf	6	97¼	97¼	97¼	+¼
Am P&L $5 pf	8	88½	87⅝	88	+⅛
Am Rad & St S	115	18	17⅝	18	+⅛
Am Roll Mill	11	28⅞	28¼	28¾	+¼
Am Safety Raz	1	34	34	34	+¼
Am Seating	1	29	29	29	+½
Am Smelt & R	9	64⅛	63¾	64¼	+⅛
Am Snuff	1	46	46	46	
Am Stl Fdrs	1	47¾	47¾	47¾	+⅛
Am Sugar Ref	2	53⅛	53	53⅛	+⅛
Am Sumat Tob	1	48	48	48	
Am Tel & Tel	22	187¾	186½	187¾	+⅝
Am Tob B	3	88½	88¼	88⅜	+⅛
Am Wat Wks	87	25	24⅝	24⅞	+⅛
Am Woolen	10	30⅝	29⅝	30⅛	+1
Am Zinc L & S	3	10⅛	10⅛	10⅛	
Anaconda Copp	25	44⅞	43¾	44⅛	+⅛
Anderson Clayt	5	44	44	44	+¼
Andes Copper	1	20	20	20	
Armour & Co	25	13⅜	13⅜	13⅜	+⅛
Armour pr pf	1	124¼	124¼	124¼	
Armstrong Cork	2	54⅜	54⅜	54⅜	+⅛
Arnold Const	6	27	25⅝	27	+1¼
Artloom Corp	1	18¼	18¼	18¼	+⅛
Assd Dry Goods	1	43⅝	43⅝	43⅝	+⅛
Atch T & S F	7	106⅛	105⅞	105⅞	—⅛
Atch T&SF pf	1	115	115	115	
Atl Coast Line	5	77½	77	77½	—¼
Atl G&W Indies	2	36	36	36	
Atl G&W In pf	2	79½	78⅞	79½	+1
Atlas Corp	2	25⅞	25⅝	25⅞	+⅛
Atlas Tack	1	25	25	25	
Aust Nichols	1	17¾	17¾	17¾	+¼
Avocado	6	29	28½	28½	+⅛
Aviation Corp	70	10	9½	10	+⅛
Aviation Cor pf	5	59⅜	59⅛	59⅜	+⅛
Baldwin Locos	1	24½	24½	24½	+⅛
Balt & Ohio	49	25⅞	25½	25⅝	+⅛
Balt & Ohio pf	8	40½	40½	40½	+⅛
Bangor & Ar	2	21	20⅞	21	+⅛
Bangor & Ar pf	2	21	20⅞	21	+⅛
Bangor & Ar pf	1	76	76	76	+1
Barber Asph	1	50	50	50	+¾
Barnsdall Oil	1	22½	22½	22½	+¼
Bath Iron Wks	1	37	37	37	+¼
Beech Aire	20	16⅝	15⅝	16	+⅛
Belding-Hem	5	21¾	21	21⅜	+⅛
Bell & Howell	1	30⅞	30⅝	30⅞	+⅛
Bendix Aviat	2	34⅞	33¾	34⅞	+1⅛
Benef Ind Ln	1	27⅝	27⅝	27⅝	+⅛
Best Foods	1	27	27	27	+⅛
Beth Steel	7	94	93	94	+1⅛
Black & Decker	1	35	35	35	+¼
Boeing Airpl	16	32¼	31⅝	32¼	+½
Bohn Al&Brass	1	70	70	70	
Borden Co	12	44⅛	42⅝	44	+⅛
Borg-Warner	4	50⅛	49½	50⅛	+⅛
Boston Maine	1	9¼	9¼	9¼	+⅛
Braniff Airw	4	33⅛	32¾	33⅛	+⅛
Bridgeport Br	1	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝	+⅛
Briggs Mfg	2	49¼	49	49¼	+⅛
Bklyn Un Gas	2	33¼	33	33¼	+⅛
Bucyrus-Erie	7	19¼	18¾	19¼	+⅛
Budd Mfg	62	24⅛	23¾	23⅞	+⅛
Budd Wheel	15	23⅝	22½	23⅝	+⅛
Bullard Co	5	38⅞	38	38⅞	+⅛
Bulova Watch	1	36⅞	36	36⅞	+1⅛
Burling Mills	6	36⅝	36½	36½	+⅛
Burr Add Mach	5	19½	19½	19½	+⅛
Bush Terminal	1	13¼	13¼	13¼	+⅛
Butler Bros	6	25¼	25⅛	25¼	+⅛
Butte Cop&Zinc	2	6½	6⅜	6½	+⅛
Byers (A M)	3	26	25⅞	26	+1⅛
Byron Jackson	3	36½	35⅞	36½	+⅛
Calif Packing	3	39⅛	38⅝	39⅛	+⅛
Callahan Z-Lead	8	3½	3½	3½	+⅛
Calumet & Hec	5	8¾	8¾	8¾	
Can Dry G Ale	3	40⅞	40¼	40⅞	+⅛
Canad Pacific	79	18⅜	18⅛	18⅝	+⅛
Cannon Mills	1	65⅞	65⅞	65⅞	+1⅛
Carpenter Stl	1	46	46	46	+⅛
Carrier Corp	24	31½	29½	31	+2
Carrier Corp pf	2	76	75	76	+4
Carriers & Gen	2	8¾	8¾	8¾	—⅛
Case (J I) Co	4	44½	44	44⅛	+⅛
Caterpil Tractor	6	67¼	67	67¼	+⅛
Celanese Corp	8	63	62½	63	+⅛
Celotex Corp	3	23¼	22⅞	23¼	+⅛
Cent Aguirre	2	27½	27⅛	27½	+⅛
Cent Foundry	2	10¼	10	10	
Cent RR N J	5	19	18⅝	19	
Century Rib M	2	30½	29	30⅛	+1⅛
Cerro de Pas	24	49	47½	49	+1⅛
Certain-td Prod	8	15⅜	15	15⅜	+⅛
Ches Corp Va	2	20½	20½	20½	
Ches & Ohio	5	55⅞	55¼	55⅞	+⅛
Chi & E Ill	2	9⅞	9⅞	9⅞	+⅛
Chi & E Ill A	5	20⅞	20⅝	20⅞	+⅛
Chi Grt West	6	10	10	10	
Chi Grt W pf	2	29¾	29⅝	29⅝	+⅛
Chi M StP&Pac	54	32⅜	32	32⅝	+⅛
Chi M StP&P pf	74	21¾	21⅜	21⅜	+1
Chi & N W	8	40½	39⅝	40⅜	+⅛
Chi & N W pf	4	69¼	68½	69¼	+1⅜
Chi Pneu Tool	2	35	35	35	—⅛
Chi Yell Cab	1	22½	22½	22½	
Childs Co	24	14⅜	14	14¼	+⅛
Chrysler Corp	10	133¾	132¼	133⅝	+2¾
C I T Finan	10	53	52½	53	
City Ice & Fuel	2	38	38	38	
City Stores	6	23	22¾	23	+⅛
Climax Molyb	12	37⅞	37¼	37⅞	+⅛
Cluett Peabody	1	50	50	50	+⅛
Colgate-Palm-P	1	44⅜	44⅜	44⅜	
Col Fuel & Ir	19	17¼	16¾	17¼	+⅛
Colum G & E	49	10⅞	10½	10⅝	+⅛
Col G&E 6% pf	3	109	108⅝	108⅝	
Colum Pict	11	40⅜	40⅜	40⅜	+⅛
Colum Carbon	2	37¾	37¾	37¾	—⅛
Coml Credit	1	47¾	47¾	47¾	+1
Coml Solvents	8	24¼	23⅞	24¼	+⅛
Comm'wlth Edis	13	33⅜	33⅛	33⅜	+⅛
Com'wlth & So	159	3	2⅞	3	+⅛
Com & Sou pf	1	120½	120½	120½	+⅛
Conde Nast	1	42½	42½	42½	+⅛
Congoleum-N	1	34¼	34¼	34¼	
Consol Cigar	1	42½	42½	42½	
Cons Cop'min	14	6⅝	6⅝	6⅝	+⅛
Cons Edison	27	22⅜	21⅝	22⅜	+⅛
Cons Edison pf	1	106⅞	106⅛	106⅞	
Cons Laundries	9	20	19	20	+1⅛
Cons Nat Gas	4	41⅜	41⅜	41⅜	
Consol RR C pf	2	39½	39½	39½	
Cons Vultee	92	35	33⅞	34⅝	+⅞
Cons Vultee pf	13


Merry Christmas
At This Season, Good Folk, an Abundance of Cheer!
(All Sentiments Subject to Changes Next Year)
—From The Washington Post

GOD wot there is some little reason
For singing joyful songs this season,
When peace on earth is now a fact
(Of course, our known concern for tact,
Plus heavy draughts of anesthesia,
Forbids all note of Indonesia,
Iran and French and Northern China,
And Buncombe Bob of Carolina.
We also choose to make omission
Of trifles like atomic fission;
The steady, uncorrected rift
Among Allies; the world adrift;
The State Department's slender talents
For making any sort of balance
Except of tea-cups and meringues;
The Congress' anti-Russ harangues;
And labor grief, the spate of it;
And tolerance, the hate of it)
Of sorry facts we make no mention,
We much prefer to give attention
To future hopes and future chances
And little signs of man's advances.
This Christmas time we put on blinkers,
We will not look at heels or stinkers.
For Yuletide and the coming year
We hand out greetings and good cheer:

A HOST of toasts, a shoal of skoals
To Walter Lippmann, Chester Bowles,
To Bob and Charles M. La Follette,
To Kilgore, Ickes, John C. Collet,
To Justice Stone, those sitting with him,
The Travis boy, those hitting with him.
A New Year filled with well-won solace
For Jimmie Byrnes and Henry Wallace,
For Mrs. Henry Grattan Doyle,
And eke for David Cushman Coyle,
The Kauffmanns, Newbolds and the Noyes,
For William Batt and both his boys.
To Army folks, a Christmas merry,
To Chief of Staff and Secretary,
To Helen Douglas, husband Mel,
To Gendarme Kelly, Daniel Bell,
To Biddle, Francis; Vinson, Fred,
Their erstwhile fixer, Prichard, Ed.
Loud cheers for George "Saloon" O'Connor,
For Robert Fleming and His Honor
Bolitha Laws. To Wilbur Finch
The mile to follow up the inch.

A FINE and cheerful Christmas Day
To Edwin Johnson, Andy May,
But vastly warmer wishes still
To those who fought their monstrous bill.
May Christmas bells and wreaths be hung
For Mason and the cousins Young,
For Hannegan and Tom C. Clark,
For Tribune's Andrews, Times' Stark,
For Andersons, both Chint and Mary,
For Fred S. Walker, James B. Carey,
For Forrestal; for fighting men,
For newsbreaks like dog-biting men.
Success to Meany, Green and Murray,
And may there be surcease from worry
Of strikes from here to hell an' back
For Lewis Baxter Schwellenbach.
May wealthy clients fill the sox
Of Thurman Arnold, Oscar Cox.
To Bob and Mike, the brothers Straus,
An egg-nog filled and joyous house.
A well-stocked larder, likewise cellar,
To Abes like Murdock, Fortas, Feller.
Atomic luck to Harry Truman,
McMahon, Condon, Jimmie Newman.
Joyful days and celebrative
To that High-Placed, Authoritative,
Reliable, Inform-ed Source
Whose Name Cannot Be Used, of course.
To Porter, Stephen; Porter, Paul,
To Justice Groner, Alvin Hall,
To Elbert and to Elmer Thomas
A goodly life, a year of promise.

TO all these folks, a Tom-and-Jerry,
A fervent wish, "God rest ye merry!"
(But measles, mumps and chicken pox
To Bilbo, Rankin, Hoffman, Cox).

—By Alfred Friendly

Lights Go On Again—But It's Not Bright World

By Helen Camp

London, Dec. 22 (AP).—"Peace on earth, good will to men" has a profound meaning this year for the world's badgered and bomb-weary. For countless millions of children it will be the first Christmas within their memory in which they had no reason to cower from sudden death from the sky. For their parents it will be a yuletide of fervent prayer.

For most of the world it will be a lean holiday. Except for the land of bounty that is America and for some of the nations which remained neutral, food will be woefully scant.

In some places internecine warfare still will rage. But for most it is the closest the world has come in seven long years to peace on earth.

THE HOLY LAND, scene of first Christmas, still surges with unrest. Candles flicker in all windows—because lights fail. Abundance of some food, some fowl and liquors and decorated cakes. Souvenirs of manger scene and crosses again being sold.

Here is the rest of world at Christmas:

GERMANY: People hungry and cold. Churches open again, however, with carols scheduled. Huge tree will light center of Berlin. Welfare units and Army collecting toys for children in American zone. Russian zone will have four million bottles of liquor for sale, a few extra rations.

BRITAIN: People working hard, determined to have "old fashioned" Christmas. But food is substitutes. A turkey costs from $24 to $40. Decorations shoddy. But Britons will flock to Westminister, St. Paul's, other cathedrals, free from aerial fear for first time.

FRANCE: Pere Noel's load woefully light. Ordinary doll costs $25. Average Frenchman can hope only for noodles, delicatessen meat, slim salad, perhaps a little wine. But cold churches will be crowded.

ITALY: Gifts scant and expensive. Food scarce despite extra rations. The traditional lighting of St. Peter's in Rome will be impossible.

GREECE: Christmas purely religious ceremony, but exchange of New Year's gifts will be limited. Chocolate costs about $2 for 5-cent bar; Cake and coffee for two in cafe, $3. A crudely built rocking horse brings $100.

AUSTRIA—Famed St. Stephan's Cathedral, still rubble inside, will have no Christmas mass. Rural folk will eat well, but not city.

BALKANS—Cold hearths and skimpy menus. Prices 300 per cent above normal. Thousands of children here never have seen candy.

NETHERLANDS—Food, liquor, some crude toys and books available on black market at fantastic prices.

BELGIUM—Prices high, but people spending freely. Few will be wanting in food or drink.

DENMARK, NORWAY — Conditions almost normal. Food mostly fish. Cold houses. Few rationed luxuries. Practically every Danish boy wants jeep for Christmas. Copenhagen expects its first shipment of oranges in years.

RUSSIA—Christmas not official holiday, but people have festive air. Shops are crowded, homes decorated. Crowds are buying toys. Food situation improving. The average Russian will have more sugar and meat than for years.

THE NEUTRALS—Spain, Sweden and Switzerland will have normal holiday. Most have sufficient food and stores are full of luxuries.

Doug and Ike Top List of Non-Politicos For President

By George Gallup
Director, American Institute of Public Opinion

A frequent complaint made by students of political science is that the workings of our political system are such that people in business, education and the other professions are not as a rule considered for the Presidency.

The Gallup Poll

Some have gone so far as to say that rarely in history have the best qualified men been chosen to run.

To find out who would be named if any person in the country could nominate his personal choice, the Institute had field reporters ask a cross-section of voters from Maine to California. The question:

"It is often said that many people who have not held public office would make good Presidents. Can you think of anyone who you think might make a good President?"

Politicians looking over the long list of names given in reply would probably scratch off 99 per cent on the basis of "availability,"—the term professionals use to measure the ideal candidate; that is, the man acceptable to the largest number of voters.

At any rate, here are the nominations from the public:

Way Out Ahead

Topping the list are two military figures, Gen. Douglas MacArthur, who led our fighting forces in the Pacific, and Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, who led Allied forces to victory in Europe and recently appointed United States Army Chief of Staff.

General MacArthur was named by 26 per cent. General Eisenhower was the choice of 24 per cent.

The next highest figure is, Henry Kaiser, production genius, named by 8 per cent. Others mentioned include Henry Ford, Bernard Baruch and Eleanor Roosevelt.

These, however, are only the beginning. here are other choices:

BUSINESS PEOPLE: Charles A. Lindbergh, William S. Knudsen, Donald Nelson, Charles E. (General Electric) Wilson, Charles Erwin (General Motors) Wilson, Owen D. Young and Alfred P. Sloan.

William L. Jeffers, Sewell L. Avery, Beardsley Ruml, Roger Babson, Charles F. Kettering, John

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Looking Ahead: Reds Talk, But Won't Listen; Pope to Shuffle Vatican Envoys

By The Staff of The Associated Press

Quietly the United States and Britain are grappling with a strange sort of problem which may eventually become quite an issue.

Whether to broadcast shortwave to Russia in Russian.

Russia broadcasts in English to the Western World but does not welcome a turn-about arrangement.

The Russian argument is that we stress free expression and are obviously glad to have ideas and information from Russia or anywhere else.

But, Moscow contends, the Russian people have decided what they want to hear and read and do not want their minds cluttered up with a lot of extraneous ideas.

Friends of three-term Republican Governor Dwight P. Griswold of Nebraska say he still answers with a grin if asked when he is going to file as a candidate for nomination to the United States Senate. The seat to be filled next November now is held by Hugh A. Butler.

Instructions, to cardinals to come to Vatican City consistory next spring are expected to be issued in January. Main items to be considered are creation of new cardinal sees and reorganization of the Vatican's foreign representations.

After several years as a naval convalescent hospital, the Sun Valley resort in central Idaho is to be turned back April 1 and is scheduled to open to the public July 1.

A French mission trying to negotiate a commercial treaty, notably for wheat, was told the Russians were willing but couldn't export anything substantial for two years because of needs at home.

The Army says it is running from two to three weeks ahead of schedule in getting the boys home from Europe. It estimates all European troops will be back by mid-January except about 670,000 attached to occupation and "close-out" forces.

Army Air Force officials are thinking of a nonstop jet fighter plane flight from Hawaii to Washington. The plane would be the P-82, successor to the P-59 Airacomet.

An Army officer back in Washington from Tokyo reports that the second request Jap city officials made of General MacArthur was to be allowed to reopen the golf courses.

Mom's in Kitchen, All's Right With World

Another Christmas Season Comes to Jackson Street

THIS IS CHRISTMAS ENOUGH FOR MRS. JAMES STUNKLE
. . . James Edgar came to live on Jackson st., eight weeks ago

By Adele Bernstein

ARTHUR B. McNERNEY is a blond, ruddy man in the prime of life, a claims examiner at the Interstate Commerce Commission. Every weekday afternoon he takes a bus home and around 6 o'clock reaches the corner of the 1000 block of Jackson st. ne.

He walks along toward his house, past the neat frame buildings where the people of Jackson st. live. Number 1016 is a brown two-story house with a cream-colored porch. Mrs. McNerney is in the kitchen, busy with dinner. The eldest boy, Arthur, jr., is at home, too, and two younger sons, Jack and Tommy, will be back soon for Christmas.

JACK HELM

Bit of America.

McNerney lounges in an easy chair near the window with the old spitz, "Chubby," and surveys Jackson st. "It's a small, wonderful world here," he says, "and the people are fine and neighborly." For this is a street where 20 families out of the middle-class context of America live.

There are a hundred Jackson streets in Washington and 10,000 in America—not America's Main streets, but the quiet tree-lined places where people live out their lives, where children come and families grow through years of gladness and sadness, prosperity and hard times.

Christmas on Jackson street is not restless tinsel and crowds, but Christmas trees, gifts, family reunions, the holiday meal that leaves you gasping for breath—and thoughts of a few who are far away and of some who will never return.

To Jackson street, and to all America, Christmas comes again, a peacetime Christmas after years of war.

It comes, heartwarming and friendly, through the sharp winds and snow flurries of December, to the McNerney home, to the Sartains at 1020, the Moores at 1018 and the Allamongs across the street. It comes to the kids, school teachers, policemen, housewives, the upholsterer and the Government employes who live on this block.

It's Happy Year

It will be a good Christmas this year for Jackson street. The young men are home, except for a few who have just gone overseas or await discharge and for the hero who won't ever come back. There is still a shadow of war, but it is passing and the leisurely, pleasant ways of peace are coming back.

In the McNerney home, the not-so-ancient mariner has returned. That is Arthur, jr., 19, who served in the Merchant Marine. He made the run to France and England time and again but his respect, he says, really goes to the fellows who made the Murmansk run. He will tell you excitedly, though, that on January 17, 1944, when his high-speed cargo ship landed at Le Havre, it was 27 years to the day after his father landed at the same port.

Arthur is a tall, lanky boy with the blue eyes of the McNerneys. He is studying electrical engineering at Catholic University, but during the holidays is working as a temporary postman, delivering mail

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Santa Rode a Bomber Over Jap Prison Camp

Just how different Christmas, 1945, is for thousands of Americans is well illustrated in these stories by Bessie Hackett, John F. Gerrity and Edward T. Folliard, Post Staff writers, and Capt. J. W. Musick, who recall their wartime holiday experiences.

By Bessie Hacket

CHRISTMAS IN WASHINGTON! It's hard to believe. As I gaze at the beauty of the first snow I have ever seen, revel in freedom and good food, my thoughts go back to last Christmas—in Santo Tomas Internment Camp.

Not since the fall of Corregidor had our spirits been so low. Hope had reached its peak when U. S. carrier planes started bombing Manila. We had heard of the Leyte landing. Our morale had been boosted by ringside seats at frequent air battles.

HACKETT

But we were getting weaker and weaker, hungrier and hungrier. More of our friends were dying each day. We still believed Americans were coming to rescue us—but doubted that we'd be there to welcome them.

December 23 we saw our first land-based planes. Children and grownups ran into the open, screaming and clapping their hands. Even the Japs were so awed they forgot to punish us. The sky was beautiful, blue with fleecy clouds. The 30 bombers flashed in the sun like Christmas tree ornaments. They were the biggest planes we had ever seen and, dancing like butterflies around them were scores of little fighters.

Far From Safe

But our jubilation was short-lived. The same day Japanese MP's raided the camp and arrested four internees. The Japs were getting jittery and more dangerous. We realized we were still a long way from safety.

The afternoon before Christmas we formed long lines to get the very last of our reserve supplies. No gifts ever provided a bigger thrill than that square of cooking chocolate and those two spoons of jam we put away for a special treat with Christmas morning mush. At noon we were to have a half cup of thin gravy and for Christmas dinner "a larger serving than usual" of fried rice.

Despite our discouragement the women dressed in their "best" Christmas Eve. I remember I dabbed my last precious perfume behind my ears. After supper, on the front plaza, 3700 of us felt our defenses crumbling as invisible choirs came over the loudspeaker with "Silent Night" and "O, Come All Ye Faithful."

Don Bell, our official broadcaster, read camp announcements for the next day. "And that finishes Christmas, 1944," he ended. "Not what we could have wished for; not enough food, not much health. But have hopes ever been higher—or wishes stronger? And so . . . we wish you all a Courageous Christmas and a gloriously Happy New Year!"

'We Must Hang On'

We picked up our chairs and went in. We didn't do much talking. Christmas was not in our hearts. But, as we lay awake in our close-packed beds, an American plane, flying over low, sounded like a benediction. You kept thinking, "It can't possibly be as long as it already has been! We MUST hang on."

Christmas morning we dragged ourselves from bed to the wake-up tune of "Onward, Christian Soldiers." Many hurried to their shanties and early morning mass—and hurried back with the news, Christmas cards from Heaven!

The Japanese were in a furore. Anyone finding such a message must turn it in immediately! But by then the message had been memorized. An internee had framed one of the leaflets dropped in the night and posted himself at the breakfast line, holding the frame for all to see.

It was a sepia reproduction of the Nativity, with this message from General MacArthur: "The Commander in Chief, officers and men of the American Forces of Liberation in the Pacific wish their gallant allies, the people of the Philippines, all the blessings of Christmas and the realization of their fervent hopes for the New Year. Christmas 1944."

"Merry Christmas!" we suddenly greeted each other with starry eyes. "Isn't it a *wonderful* Christmas?"

Death—and Dessert—On Muddy Bougainville

DAWN and the earthquake came together—men huddled in log-topped foxholes, dug into the sharp slope of Snuffy's Ridge, and trembled. Many tumbled pell mell into the open, taking their chances on falling coconuts and tree limbs.

Then everyone started to laugh—this was Christmas Day, Bougainville, 1943.

The night before had been clear, warm—but, as always, muddy. There had been no air raids for several days. Along the ridge

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Nazis Settled for 'Nuts'

Doll Got Purple Heart, U. S. Its Best '44 Gift at Bastogne

By J. M. Roberts, Jr.

New York, Dec. 22 (AP).—A year ago tonight the armies of Gen. Dwight Eisenhower were making one of the greatest defensive fights in American history.

It was almost Christmas in Bastogne. The "Screaming Eagles" of the 101st Airborne Division, with others trapped by advancing Germans, hardly 10,000, were standing off five Nazi divisions and parts of three others. The little town, hub of the Belgian road system, was surrounded.

For 48 hours, advancing over their own dead, the Germans had been tightening their grip. American supplies were short. The Germans thought the Yanks were whipped, sent in a surrender ultimatum. Brig. Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe, Washington, replied with his famous "Nuts!"

Christmas Eve at Bastogne in 1944 was "quiet" officially—

although 10,000 held off 100,000, to prevent their joining other Germans in the "bulge."

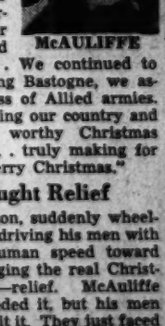
General Greets Men

On Christmas Eve a bomb struck the hospital. Another tore down a command headquarters Christmas tree—and a sergeant pinned his Purple Heart on a mangled doll.

That night McAuliffe told his men of his reply to the Germans. Red maps encircling German positions, overlaid with a big, green "Merry Christmas" went out and the general added "What's merry about all this? We're fighting—it's cold—we aren't home.

"But what has the Proud Eagle Division accomplished with its worthy comrades? . . . Just this: We have stopped cold everything thrown against us . . . how effectively will be written in world history.

"The Germans actually did surround us; their radios blared our doom. . . . We continued to hold. By holding Bastogne, we assure the success of Allied armies. . . . We are giving our country and loved ones a worthy Christmas present and . . . truly making for ourselves a merry Christmas."



McAULIFFE

Patton Brought Relief

General Patton, suddenly wheeling north, was driving his men with almost superhuman speed toward Bastogne, bringing the real Christmas present—relief. McAuliffe knew they needed it, but his men refused to admit it. They just faced encircling Germans and "mowed 'em down." They treated their wounded with cognac and courage; described themselves as "the hole in the doughnut."

Patton's men arrived, but two days late for Christmas. McAuliffe's men who were able to stay finished the job. The dead were buried. Interred with them were the last hopes of the Nazi nation. Christmas, 1944, in Bastogne, had seen to that.

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World Trouble Spots: Would Free Indonesia Be Menace in Pacific?

BATAVIA, Dec. 22 (AP).—The man who represented the Netherlands government at the Japanese surrender in Tokyo Bay believes that an independent Indonesia "would be a permanent menace to peace in the Pacific."

Blunt, outspoken Admiral Sir Conrad Helfrich, commander of the The Netherlands East Indies armed forces, that "from a strategic point of view" such a country could not possibly defend itself.

HELFRICH

"Anyone who thinks this would be an independent state is wrong," Helfrich declared. "Because the islands' 137 different tribes and population groups would fight each other. As examples, already the Batam districtin west Java declared itself independent of the Soekarno government.

"In my opinion the name Indonesia means nothing," he said. "I still like the old name of Netherlands East Indies. It means the Netherlands got together these groups and nothing else can keep them together."

In reply to accusations of Dutch looting, he said:

Most of the houses, cars, industries, enterprises, estates, ships, trains and offices in Java really belong to the Dutch.

"After the Japanese surrender we found the Dutch as human wrecks in camps while the Indonesians were living in big houses with our furniture, driving our cars, running public works with our machinery and industries with our materials.

"If, after three months without improvement, the Dutch do a little looting, it's a natural reaction."

Helfrich said Dutch-British relations are harmonious except for some friction caused when Britain gave the impression she was placing the Dutch and the Soekarno governments on the same level.

He added that the "Dutch resented the British effort to remain neutral. There could be no question concerning the Soekarno government. In the Dutch mind this country belongs to the Dutch and to nobody else."

Burma Won't Revolt

RANGOON, Dec. 22 (U.P.).—U Aung San, youngest and most powerful leader in Burmese politics, this week declared his anti-Fascist People's Freedom League is committed to pursue constitutional methods in its fight for the rights of the people.

The boyish, 31-year-old president of the league, who had the rank of major general and commanded the Burma national army, said it was nonsense that the league had 20,000 armed followers ready to revolt.

A recent league mass meeting passed resolutions urging the British immediately to dissolve the present governor's executive council because it does not command the confidence of the whole country; that general elections be held with universal adult suffrage; and that a general annesty be granted political prisoners.

U Aung San said no concrete action had been taken by authorities concerning the resolutions.

Brazil on Our Side

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 22 (Chicago Sun).—In any showdown between the United States and Argentina, Brazil can be counted on to side with the former.

This is the view held by many Brazilians and Americans here because Brazil must look to the United States for developing the country's resources. On this factor the entire future of Brazil depends.

Argentina cannot make any tempting offers to win over Brazil because Argentina has not the wherewithal.

Spain Still Safe?

DIPLOMATIC observers in Washington who have been following developments in the United States-Franco Spain situation, the Chicago Sun Bureau reports, lean to the belief that the State Department will make no move that will bring about a collapse in the government of Francisco Franco in the immediate future.

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The feeling in the State Department reportedly is based on this reasoning:

The collapse of Franco Spain merely would bring about more chaos at a time when the United States and other nations are having all they can do to handle the explosive issues of China, Iran and Palestine.

Then, too, it is said, there is no assurance that a government following Franco's would be any better.

Reports that a diplomatic break between Spain and the United States is in the wind were given some credence last week when the French foreign office announced that the French government had requested Washington and London for their views on Spain. [Editor's note: The Foreign Affairs Commission of the French Constituent Assembly this week rejected a proposal that it urge the Government to break relations with Spain.]

The contents of these notes have not been disclosed and it is unlikely that the State Department will act on the matter, at least until Secretary of State Byrnes returns.

Pleasures and Palaces, But Not Like Home

War Years Are Rough on Royalty

By Bob Considine

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (INS).—World War II, succeeding where 100 years of antimonarchy activities had failed, knocked askew the crowns of ten European rulers, submerging, exiling, jailing or killing them.

It caused also the almost complete dilution of the power of the leading autocrat of all world monarchs, Emperor Hirohito.

Of the ten European rulers unseated or dislocated by the war, five either have been restored to full power or have gingerly ridden out the storm:

Wilhelmina of Holland, Haakon of Norway, Christian of Denmark, Michael of Romania and Grand Duchess Charlotte of Luxembourg.

An inconsequential sixth, Franz Joseph of Liechtenstein, also has regained full support from his people, after serving as a kind of international money-changer during the conflict.

Four Await Calls

Boris of Bulgaria, apparently poisoned by the Nazis when he objected to phases of the collaboration in which he was involved, was the only royal fatality of the war.

Four dislodged kings remain in exile, ostensibly awaiting the calls which never come. Most of their existences abroad are well removed from the spartan.

Leopold of Belgium languishes in Bavarian resorts. The Belgium chamber of deputies, recently voted 95-68 against Leopold's return.

The Belgian people will vote next spring on whether they want Leopold back or to retain the leftist democratic government which sprang from Belgium's hard-pressed underground.

King George II of Greece, overthrown by a revolution in 1923 and restored in 1935 by dictatorial forces, remains in London, where he appears to be making an exhaustive study of night clubs.

King Peter, 22-year-old monarch of Yugoslavia, also is living in London. Peter's guerillas, under Draja Mihailovich, won the admiration of the world in the early 1940's. But with a switch which bewildered America, Marshal Tito rose, banished Mihailovich and later gave the boot to Peter.

Lives in Seclusion

Peter remains close to the British throne. He served in the RAF during the war and was well-received on a visit to this country.

King Victor Emmanuel, bandy-legged little Italian monarch, renounced "all royal prerogatives" in favor of his son, 40-year-old Umberto, when American armies swept into Rome.

Though he retains the title of king, Victor Emmanuel, who held the throne for 44 years, now lives in complete seclusion.

Umberto, whose title is "lieutenant general of the realm" has little authority but continues to live in the fabulous Quirinale Palace in Rome with king-like pomp. He told this writer last August that he was "positive" he would be restored to full power by the Italian people in their eventual vote for a postwar form of government.

King Zog, who took it on the lam in 1939 when Mussolini, his erstwhile friend, invaded Albania, got out with enough money to live in England in the style to which he accustomed himself after having himself named king of his country.

Keeps Country Neutral

Tito now controls the land that was Albania, so there is little chance that Zog will return.

Ancient, spindly Gustav of Sweden kept his country as neutral as emergencies permitted in World War II as in World War I.

Of all the monarchs beset by war, George VI, of course, emerges the strongest European monarch, whose position is unaltered today despite the bloodless revolution that turned England into a socialist nation.

Most monarchs placed back on their thrones returned with a promise of greater liberties to their people. Haakon revised his unpopular cabinet. Wilhelmina held out the hope of distant independence to her colonies.

Michael of Romania, deposited on the throne when his fun-loving father, King Carol, fled in the face of approaching Nazis, gave the appearance of working with Hitler for a time.

But—according to the Russians—he was secretly plotting to switch his allegiance.

Shoots Way Out

He did so in movie-thriller fashion on August 23, 1944.

With the Russian armies at Romania's gates, he ambushed "strong man" Ion Antonescu, friend of the Axis, and other collaborators, then escaped Nazi reprisals by shooting his way to a safe retreat with his mother, Queen Helen, sitting in the back seat of the racing car with a gun on her lap.

As for Carol, the Russians do not like him. It is not likely he will be able to return. 'Mid pleasures and palaces, wherever he may roam, it seems likely that his authority will continue to be confined—to Madame Lupescu.

GIs Give Japs Glimpse Of Wonderland, U. S. A.

By Morrie Landsberg

Tokyo, Dec. 22 (AP).—America today in Japan is a speedy, agile jeep, a pair of shiny shoes, boogie-woogie and chocolate bars, an act of mercy by two GIs and a way of doing things—now.

It is also a strange and new wonderland called democracy.

America is everywhere. It is in GHQ directives and grave official statements, in long caravans of giant-sized trucks and earth-chewing bulldozers and in the seemingly endless fleet of ships sailing into port.

More than anything else, though, it is in the know-how of a private from Poughkeepsie and the clumsy Japanese greeting of a corporal from Council Bluffs.

Japanese as well as Americans are beginning to ask what influence the occupation will have on this country. It may be too early to judge, but there are signs already of widespread effects.

The troops undoubtedly will leave GI marks behind. It is only when an attempt is made to assess permanent influence that the question clashes with subtle factors of oriental philosophy. How much can you change a people—and how fast?

The situation is entirely new. History can show few examples of a victor coming into the land of a defeated enemy, ruling the government through established authority and setting out to cause a revolution by direction.

U. S. Making Friends

The Japanese can do no more than bow and take orders, whether they like them or not.

At the same time, however, the United States is making friends. Not all people like the occupation and not all occupation troops are good-will emissaries. But on the whole Japan has come out of defeat with greater respect for the United States.

The people can see evidence of American power in the ever-rumbling stream of heavy vehicles that put their battered charcoal-driven trucks to shame. Waitresses can tell them how well Americans eat and they have sampled American cigarettes and candy and clamor for more.

Occupation troops aren't always well-behaved, but on the whole act creditably. Japanese girls obviously like the American manner, which to them is gallant compared with the attitude of their own men. The Japanese male population is worried about the effects of fraternization—"girls getting too independent."

Kindness Remembered

Hardly a day goes by without a report in Japanese newspapers of some kindness—GI's going out of their way to give first aid to traffic victims or to rush a seriously ill child to an Army doctor. And the Japanese remember.

These influences to a great extent are superficial, but they all fit into a solid and convincing tableau of a potential Japan. If the occupation should end tomorrow Japan undoubtedly would slip back to many of her old ways. Thinking observers, however, believe the country never will revert completely to its prewar system.

Whether the most important American influence—the planting of democracy—will take root is a question for the future to decide. Not even the greatest optimists expect revolutionary reforms to become fully accepted.

In the meantime the paradox will continue and grow—the paradox of a victor offering a new and liberal life in peace to a country it smashed and drained in war.

Albania Solves Its Black Market

Durazzo, Albania, Dec. 22 (U.P.).—Albania is unique among the hungry nations of Europe. There is no black market. Merchants who violate local price regulations lose their business, are sent to prison and, according to opponents of the present government, sometimes shot.

Americans Note

China Proves Russian Bear Isn't All Bite

By Frederic S. Marquardt
Chicago Sun Foreign Service

Those who believe ultimate conflict between the United States and Soviet Russia is inevitable would do well to study the events of the past two weeks in China. For it is in China, if anywhere, that American and Russian interests conflict. And it is in China that the seeds for another war could easily be sown.

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Yet Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist armies, equipped with American material and moving forward on the sufferance of the Russians, marched and flew into Manchuria and were well on their way to dominating that "cockpit of Asia" after 14 years of Japanese control.

Another significant event in the restoration of China has occurred. Chiang and Mme. Chiang Kai-shek made a triumphal return from Chungking to Nanking to reestablish the government in the city where Sun Yat-sen's magnificent mausoleum stands as an enduring symbol of the Chinese revolution against the Manchus.

Events Significant

These developments are particularly significant. For without previous consultations, the Russians and the Americans appeared to be following parallel courses of action.

At any stage of the game either the United States or Russia could have stopped the return of Chiang's troops to Manchuria, and they would have had to fight a long, bitter war against the Chinese Communists to reach Mukden.

However, it would be foolish to assume that basic cleavages in China's internal politics have been eliminated by the backing the United States and Russia have given Chiang Kai-shek.

These cleavages will disappear only if the two great powers now use their influence to hasten the reform of the Chinese government. The Chinese Communists can be integrated with the Nationalists only when assured Chiang is ready to put into effect progressive reforms of which he has so long spoken.

China's Way Open

The United States is fortunate in having a man of the caliber of General of the Army George C. Marshall as a representative.

The way now is open for China, with the friendly help of Russia and the United States, to establish a unified, liberal and progressive government.

Whether Secretary of State Byrnes and Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov are able to agree on a joint plan of action during their present conference in Moscow is not overly important. The important thing is that events have proved that American and Russian interests do not conflict in China. Under those conditions only the worst sort of bumbling in Washington or in Moscow—or in both—can lead to grave international complications.

Action Can Kill Suspicion

Allied Problems Great But Not Serious Enough To Halt UNO—Eden

By Anthony Eden
Britain's Former Foreign Minister

LONDON, Dec. 22 (INS).—We all knew that when the fighting stopped international problems would arise to test our unity and friendship with our Allies. The load of trouble has been heavier than most expected.

Some question whether there was ever any fundamental unity between the Allies, and ask wearily how, then, are we better off than in the period between the two wars?

But this is to ignore an essential difference which separates us from those unhappy years.

Every one of the United Nations sincerely desires peace. This was true before 1939.

It was never true of Hitler, Mussolini and Japan. Each was prepared to wage war to win his aim—world domination.

When we differ with either one of our great Allies, we must always remember this essential contrast.

Why, then, is there not more confidence between the Allies? The answer is to be found rooted in the past. We cannot expect the suspicions of a generation to be dissolved at once.

There are urgent differences to be resolved and accumulating suspicions to be dispelled before they soak through and rot the whole fabric of international relations.

A Fair Preface

If the three foreign secretaries of Britain, the United States and Russia now meeting in Moscow can make progress toward agreement on some issues which now confuse the international scene, they will write a fair preface to the first meeting of the new world organization.

In Moscow in 1943 Cordell Hull and V. M. Molotov and I first set our names to a declaration to call into being a world organization of United Nations.

Hull was determined we should make an early start upon this work. As a consequence, we were able to hold the San Francisco Conference and agree on our charter before the end of the war.

This is a notable gain over Versailles. The covenant of the League of Nations was part of the peace settlement. For some of the victors its main purpose was to enforce that settlement.

Causes of Failure

Among causes of the failure of the League, I would place first the lack of universality in its authority as exemplified, above all, by the absence of the United States and, for the greater part of the league's life, of the Soviet Union from its membership. We build upon a broader foundation this time.

Next must be ranked the insufficiency of armed force as the final sanction behind any league decision.

This is the age of great units. Some find the fact disturbing. I find it encouraging.

If the great units agree, they can keep the peace.

We should bear in mind the causes that have led us to be classed without question among the Big Three alongside nations of such strength as the United States and the Soviet Union.

In part, this was due to our geographical position; in part to our stand in 1940. But more, it was due to our position as the center of the British Commonwealth and Empire.

This does not mean we and self-governing dominions always agree about everything. But it does mean that there is a fundamental unity in outlook and approach between us.

Any special arrangements between nations of western Europe in relation to the new world organization would be within the framework of the United Nations and in accordance with its charter.

No Objections Raised

Such being the position, there seems to be every advantage in early conclusion of agreements between members of the western European family.

The Soviet Union is now in treaty relations with Poland and Czechoslovakia, with Romania and Hungary.

No objections have ever been raised to this by the western powers. We know that these treaties with victims, or satellites, of German power are necessary insurance against a future when Germany may once again seek to impose her authority upon them as the first step in larger plans for European domination.

The same insurance against a reemergence of German power is needed in the west.

We shall be much more stable and it will be more difficult then for Germany to succeed in her game of playing off the west against the east.

The bridges between the two groups of nations would then be the Anglo-Soviet treaty and the Franco-Soviet treaty and any other arrangements arrived at between the western family and the eastern and central family other than Germany.

All of these should be subject to the overriding authority of the United Nations Organization. Thus could these regional arrangements be made the buttress of the central authority of the world organization.

But it is, above all, upon the maintenance of that authority that the peace of the world will depend.

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Another Christmas Season Comes to Jackson Street

Trees Gaily Tinseled, Mom's in the Kitchen—All's Right With World

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n and down the familiar streets. When he passes No. 1016 he stops for a word with the family and a moment of warmth. "Of course," he says, "I've got a real advantage over the other postmen. I not only know all the folks, but all the dogs."

The other McNerney boys—Jack, 17, and Tommy, 14—are in Baltimore, studying at St. Charles Seminary. Jack expects to go into the priesthood.

During the war, when all the boys were away, Mrs. McNerney busied herself with church work at St. Anthony's, where she's organist, and Mr. McNerney became a deputy air raid warden, taking practically every family man on the block in with him.

But this Christmas there's a reunion at 1016 and Mr. McNerney

CORPORAL BILLY SARTAIN
. . . on his way to Europe

says the family can look forward to the "best in life"—unless Mrs. McNerney doesn't survive her daily Christmas shopping forays downtown.

On the McNerney mantel are photographs of the boys in varying stages of growth. Mr. McNerney, glancing at them, smiles. "Most of the boys along the block will be home for Christmas. I remember when they were kids . . . the racket they used to make."

Arthur's particular pals were the Collins boys across the street, the Sartain boys and Jackie Helm, all reared on Jackson st. Johnny Sartain was killed in action last year with the Air Force in Europe. Billy Sartain, 18, and his friend, Jackie, went into the Army this year. One now is headed for Germany, the other for Yokohama. Jerome Collins, who holds the Purple Heart, came back from Italy last summer. His brother, Billy Collins, is on his way home from Manila.

'Never Felt Better'

David Carroll, tail gunner on a Navy PBM, is awaiting overseas orders in San Francisco. His brother, Bill, is in the Navy, too, somewhere between the Marianas and Japan. He isn't expected home before spring. The two Moore boys came home from the Navy this month and Joseph Moore says, grinning, "I never felt better in my life—or had less." Capt. Alan C. Schieck, who served in England, returned in July. Warren Lewis is spending his third Christmas away from home, in Germany.

George M. Dixon, jr., who went into Tokyo with a demolition team a full day before the occupation forces formally arrived, is back, too. With him came three trunks full of souvenirs from Japan—it is no wonder occupation troops found Tokyo stripped bare when they arrived: George had been there.

His best friend, Jim Dickie, who also happens to be his brother-in-law, is back from five years overseas in every theater you'd want to name. Delwin Allamong was discharged from the Air Force last month, and he's home, too.

THE roll of Jackson Street's servicemen reaches into all the homes in the block, although the Sartain house, 1020, has felt the war perhaps more than any other. Johnny Sartain was only 20 when he was shot down over Europe last year, but somehow Mrs. Sartain managed to keep Christmas merry—even if she carries in her purse a small snapshot of Johnny's grave in England.

Life Gay, Exciting

The house at 1020 is a sprawling brown bungalow, with a flight of steps in front that invites neighbors to drop in. The kitchen, of course, is the most popular room with its mouth-watering aroma of Christmas cookery.

On occasion, Henry J. Sartain, master gardener at Gallaudet College, gets home from work early enough to indulge his own passion for cooking. This year he even baked a mountainous batch of Toll House cookies, most of which went off to Billy.

The two Sartain girls, Nancy, 13, and Winifred, 10, waver between adoration and amazement when they deal with their parents. The house is full of laughter and talk and the telephone is constantly ringing with the messages between Winifred and her friend, Patsy Carroll, down the street. Her father says they have more conferences than the foreign ministers at Moscow.

Winnie likes to hear her father tell his stories—especially one about how Billy spent his first furlough. "That's my boy for you," says Mr. Sartain. "Spends three months sweating it out with a rifle. And what's the first thing he thinks of when he gets home? Shooting. With two buddies and six guns, he goes off to his aunt's place in the country."

Billy had been an optical worker before he went into the Army. He always told his folks his military career would be fun and nothing else. But a few weeks ago he telephoned from a port of embarkation. "Hey, old man," he groaned to his father, "they made me a corporal." "I thought you didn't want all that heavy responsibility," chided Mr. Sartain. Billy moaned "But they didn't ask me!"

On top of her own Christmas-in-the-making Mrs. Sartain has found time to prepare a party for her Sunday School group. She is superintendent of something like 60 children and 10 teachers at the Church of Our Saviour.

"And don't think for a moment," she added, "that I've been neglecting my favorite sport—reading love stories!"

Spontaneous Gaiety Best

She says her policy is to "let Christmas take care of itself, after I provide the makings." Her nephews and sister will drop in; the Sartains will haul out the resurrected Chevrolet for a drive to their folks' place in Virginia and neighbors and their kids and their veterans will be on hand to share the fun.

Mrs. Sartain always keeps her window shades well up. "Gives you kind of a gloomy feeling to pass blinded windows."

ACROSS the street, in the largest house on the block, Mrs. Mary Collins, the neighborhood's 84-year-old matriarch, sits near her window looking through the newspapers. She must be careful of her eyes, she says, after a second operation on them last summer. But, invalided for the past six months, she has to keep up on what's "new in the world."

Until her grandson, Billy, gets home from Manila, she will just try to take it easy. Billy and his brother Jerome, whom she brought up after they were orphaned, are the center of her life. Jerome is slowly reshaping his life since his discharge as a wounded vet. Billy's letters, copious with details of combat and of the occupation, must be read to every caller. Billy is a fine musician. He studied for nine years and perhaps he will return to it after his discharge.

Thinks He'll Come

Mrs. Collins is white-haired and fragile, with delicate coloring. Always trailing behind her long, full skirt through the spacious rooms at number 1025 is her terrier, Teddy. She has reared 9 children. Three, like the boys' father, are dead. Her two widowed daughters, Mrs. Mary Brown and Mrs. Rose C. Shropshire, live with her. One manages the house. The other works at the Government Printing Office. Their brother, Capt. John Paul Collins, returned from duty with the Marine Corps in June to become principal of Eastern High School.

"I somehow feel sure Billy will make it this year, after all," Mrs. Collins remarks suddenly. Her old eyes light up. "I think I shall buy him a new car!"

THERE are three Carroll families in the 1000 block, but only two are related. In the big, brown, shingled house at 1015 live the Misses Frances and Katherine Carroll, both teachers at Brookland School. Their brother, James, owns the last house on that side of the block, 1027. His wife died last spring, leaving him so lonely he has decided to move to California. Before his retirement, he owned the dry cleaning establishment on the corner. Now he takes his meals at his sisters' cheerful dining room.

Shares His Home

Miss Frances is in charge of the traffic boys at Brookland and after school is invariably accompanied home by one or two of them.

Brother James will be at the Carrolls' for Christmas dinner and later, likely, some of the boys they used to teach.

Mr. Carroll, incidentally, rather than "rattle around alone" in his roomy house, rented the top floor to a young couple from Springfield, Mass. John G. Colbert, who came here to work at the Department of Agriculture, and his young wife have made a charming home. His mother has been visiting from Springfield and all three will go back to Massachusetts for Christmas.

ANYONE in the neighborhood can tell you where the other Carrolls—the John L.'s—live. Number 1006 houses the largest and most active family on the block.

On VJ-Day plus-about-one-hour, Mr. Carroll decided it was high time the house was redecorated. David and Bill might be getting home from the Navy soon. The whole family, after work or school, began mixing colors and wielding brushes.

Christmas just around the corner, Mary Elizabeth, 17, is still putting the finishing touches on her bedroom, wearing blue denim overalls—the real thing worn by WAVES—that her brother David sent as a delicate reminder that you see more than the sea when you're in the Navy.

Mary Elizabeth, in her last year at St. Anthony's Academy, expects to go to the women's college at Catholic University. She'd prefer to strike out as an apprentice interior decorator, but her father has won out.

One Is Bride

Mr. Carroll, brown-haired, spare, of some medium height, with thoughtful face and strong hands, is chief (and only) upholsterer at the Government Printing Office. He is plenty proud of his family, all seven members of it.

Mrs. Carroll is clerical supervisor in one of the bureaus in the Department of Labor.

Patsy, 10, the telephone-happy kid who hamstrings the wire with Winnie Sartain down the block, is, like Mary Elizabeth, all peaches and cream and brown eyes and blonde hair.

Jane, on the other hand, is brunette, with deep liquid eyes. She's 20 and was married only six months ago. Two weeks after the wedding, Jane kissed her husband goodby. His full name is Bernard Vincent Dillon, but the family irreverently calls him BVD. He is an ensign in the Navy and is now in the Philippines.

Jane and BVD have known each other since they were kids. While she waits for him, Jane is working as a secretary at the Priory School.

Jimmy, 15, a tall, serious boy in his third year at Gonzaga High School, who balances glasses precariously on a short, freckled nose, adds a note of studied dignity to the household.

The two older Carroll boys won't be here for Christmas. Bill is on an LST in the western Pacific. He learned to be an expert pitcher at the local sandlots and even while in the service he has received offers from the Chicago Cubs and Cleveland Indians. His father thinks that's fine, but wants Bill to go back to Georgetown. David, waiting for overseas orders at San Francisco, hopes to go to Holy Cross University.

Busy and Happy

The whole Carroll house brims with excitement. Every closet is jammed with Christmas gifts. Children bustle in and out. The doorbell rings constantly. The telephone is overworked.

Only Mr. Carroll sits by unconcernedly reading his paper after a hard day's work. Mary Elizabeth finishes most of the major preparations for dinner by the time Jane gets home. Mother arrives about 6 p. m.

"Well," says Mr. Carroll over a heaping plate, "this town will never be the same, with all these thousands of new people. Silver Spring is the second largest community in Maryland. But I can remember when Washington was just like a country village. Now look at it—the traffic problem, for instance . . ." And the whole family worries about traffic problem—and the Carroll car sitting forlornly in the garage awaiting a fourth tire.

LAST Christmas, Jack Helm, then 17, told his parents they might as well face it: if there were any way, he'd get into the Army. Mr. and Mrs. William A. Helm understood. Now the tall, familiar figure has been gone from 1038 for some six months and undoubtedly will spend this Christmas in Yokohama.

Reminders of Jack are everywhere—in the tinted photographs in the comfortable living room, in odds and ends of photographic equipment all over the place. Jack, probably the best student photographer Tech High ever had, handled the art work for the graduation issue of its magazine. His letters are the sort the War Department's reenlistment section would like to publicize. Possibly some of their enthusiasm comes from the fact that he was properly assigned—to photo school in the Air Force.

MARINER TURNED MAILMAN
. . . Arthur McNerney enjoys it, too

Photos by Post Staff Photographer Harry Goodwin
GEORGE DIXON, JR., LOUISE DIXON DICKIE, MOE DICKIE
. . . they're lucky family in Jackson street block, shown at top

CAPT. ALAN C. SCHIECK, ERIC, KARIN AND FREDERICK
. . . Dad taught 'em chess and now they show him

In fact, when Jack and his friend, Billy Sartain, made the neighborhood rounds on their furloughs last fall, Capt. Alan C. Schieck, next door, remarked he had never seen such superb spirit in Army trainees.

'So They Won't Forget'

For a week, Mrs. Helm and pretty Audrey have been wrapping special gifts—Jack's, bought with money he sent, for the far-flung members of his family, "so they won't forget me."

At the Helms' Christmas feast this week will be an older son, James Gordon, and his family of three, who live almost within hailing distance.

There has been illness on the block. Mrs. Helm's sister, Mrs. Archie Wyne, whose house is on the opposite corner, at 1001, has been a nurse to her husband. During a hunting trip in Virginia last month he suffered a stroke.

Meanwhile, in a corner of the living room in his big chair, Mr. Helm is deep in a self-donated Christmas present: a sober little book, "How to Retire and Like It." Next year, after 47 years and four months with the Potomac Electric Power Co., snowy-haired Mr. Helm guesses he'll find nothing wrong with the project.

With James Carroll across the street and Mr. Moore a few doors down, Mr. Helm will make the third retired householder in the block.

TWO delightful little old ladies live in the plain grey house at 1011. Miss Elizabeth Santry and her sister, Mrs. Annie Herzog, lead quiet lives, sparked by occasional shopping sprees and regular attendance at St. Anthony's Church.

This Christmas there is an unusually expectant air in their tiny home. Not only is their sister-in-law visiting from New York, but four nephews will be home from the service!

ADJOINING their house, at 1009, celebration has been under way since Delwyn Allamong was discharged after 21 months in the Air Force. To Mr. and Mrs. Howard Allamong that came as a complete surprise. At best, they had hoped for a Christmas furlough. But, although his pictures in uniform still decorate the old-fashioned upright piano, 20-year-old Delwyn already has his old job back at the Ransdell Printing Co.

Don't Forget Skippy

His sister, Peggy Anne, 13, is quick to point out that there will be still another guest at the Christmas dinner table—a flop-eared, unsure-footed "rat terrier" who responds with all the hysterical joy of his seven months to the name of Mr. Skippy.

At St. Stephen's Church, which the family attends regularly, there will be a special dedicatory service this Christmas for men able to return safely to their homes. Mrs. Allamong, a devout woman, says simply, "I have more to be thankful for than I can express."

AS THOUGH an old Christmas story were being retold, the Joneses again are harboring a young couple this year and giving them an early celebration. Sybil and John Jones' house at 1023 boasts the first bedecked Christmas tree in the block. It was the same last Christmas, when a young sergeant and his bride found refuge under their roof before he was sent overseas.

John Jones, one of the handsomest and most retiring men in the street, is on the Metropolitan Police Force. His wife, equally attractive, works in the insurance division of the Veterans Administration. It was there she got to know Delta Harner, who with her 22-year-old veteran husband, Sam, are now the Joneses' guests because they can't find a place to live.

Despite spending a hot summer in Kansas with her sick mother, Mrs. Jones is fresh for the holiday. She can be strongly indignant at the plight of so many servicemen returning to find little more by way of a welcome sign than "No Vacancies." That is why she plans to give the young Harners a merrier Christmas than they could possibly have known otherwise.

A NEW kind of lusty squalling drew the entire attention of Jackson Street to the small, pretty house of Mr. and Mrs. James Stunkle eight weeks ago. That was pink, bald James Edgar, the most exciting addition to the block since his sister, Sally Anne, was born a little over five years ago.

Her Holiday Complete

Every evening young James receives the wondering scrutiny of Sally Anne and his father, track foreman with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

Mrs. Stunkle, still fragile, wants nothing further to complete her Christmas. "One of the neighbor's children asked my husband the other day whether Santa Claus would visit him again this Christmas," she relates. "He looked around him, startled-like, thought it over and suddenly groaned, Lord, I hope not!' " They will share their tree this year with Mrs. Stunkle's sister, a registered nurse from Frederick County, Maryland, who is staying with them.

THE cab that stopped opposite 1018 Jackson Street last Wednesday deposited a tanned, muscular sailor in front of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Moore's house. He took a long look at the attractive white dwelling, silently bared his head. Then, with a wide, victorious sweep he sent his "flat-cap" sailing. That's how neighbors describe the homecoming of Joe Moore. The cap was retrieved by his son, Joe, jr., who hadn't seen his father in more than two years.

Less than a month before, Marion Moore had come home, too, and joined his family in their house on 13th st. With their wives and two children apiece, the Moore boys will give their aging parents the best Christmas they've ever had.

Joe is taciturn. His green-blue eyes, brighter for his sunburned face, fix on you relentlessly when he gets around to talking, like this:

"I was strictly a snipe, which means my job on the LST was below decks. The men above we called 'deck apes'. Dont ask me why. If anyone expects me to hand out any laurels, all right. Mine go to men in the infantry. I was in the Mediterranean and Pacific, the landings in southern France and Italy and we carried Marines to China. But I never saw men take a beating like the infantry."

Best, Bar None

It took Joe, in his early thirties, exactly half an hour to become a civilian, if clothes mark the man. From there on, he stretched out luxuriantly on his mother's mohair couch, according to his blonde wife, Elizabeth, at intervals commenting to the ceiling, "Washington is the most beautiful city, bar none, in the world!"

Joe will go back to the job he left in the Bureau of Engraving's plumbing shop. Young Mrs. Moore has worked as a clerk in the Bureau of Internal Revenue during the absence of her husband; and their two children, Joe, jr., (Buddy) and Joan, were the daytime charges of her mother-in-law. The Moore home is the only one on the block which has regular domestic help. Old Mr. Moore has been retired for several years now.

JOE Moore and George Dixon, jr., whose parents live three doors down, at 1012, not only were at having the young family to keep her company. On weekends, her son-in-law organizes a whole caravan of his own and other children for walking trips or visits to Victory Bond exhibitions.

Last week, Frederick became fixed on the idea of bringing home a V-2 bomb, although his father has an equally exciting exhibit back home—his overseas Army cap, with a jagged hole to show where shrapnel from one of those V-2s tore through it as he walked along a London street. Mrs. Schieck says that whenever she feels things not going to her liking, she holds that cap for a while.

The year and more he spent in England doing court-martial work with the Eighth Air Force predisposes Captain Schieck to make the most of this first Christmas home in two years. There will be a special chess bout with Frederick, to whom he has just taught the game, but who has already managed to beat him twice.

FOR Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gwin, at 1004, Christmas this year, will have a tree because "it wouldn't be Christmas at all without one," although their two daughters are still far from home and it probably will be another four months before their husbands are out of the Navy.

The celebration will center around their Navy son-in-law, Virgil Gentry, with them while awaiting reassignment. Kathleen Gwin Gentry is in San Francisco, because her husband had been stationed there and she knows he is to return. So is the other Gwin girl, Jean. But Jean and her husband, Phil de Lozier, are coming home with their three-year-old daughter in March.

Third Holiday Alone

In the apartment above the Gwins, the parents of Pfc. Warren Lewis must face their third Christmas without their only son. Mrs. Lewis fills her time with a Government job, while her husband works for the Capital Transit Co.

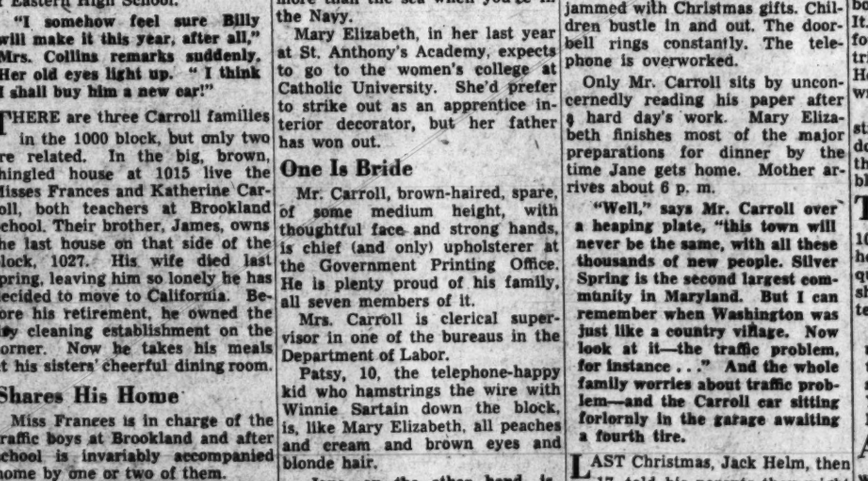
Warren was born and reared in the Brookland area and was a sophomore majoring in psychology at George Washington when he left for military duty three years ago. Now with the Army of Occupation in Germany, he has seen a good deal of Europe. His mother believes it has been a fascinating experience for him. She takes comfort in the thought that their boy has come through the war unhurt.

A year ago, last Christmas, they knew little of his whereabouts, but while they prayed for him he was on the Siegfried Line.

HUNDREDS of veterans in Washington hospitals will owe their Christmas this year to the efforts of Mrs. Ira T. Byram, a motherly woman with short, crisp, greying hair, whose home at 1000 Jackson st. has been a hubbub of planning for men too ill or disabled to spend the holiday in their own homes. Her son, Maj. Ira T. Byram, jr., back for a few months now, already has immersed himself in his automatic machine business. He and his wife live in another part of Washington.

Mrs. Byram organizes parties, like the one she arranged for 75 men at Mount Alto Hospital, (including gifts for men in the incurable ward, whom, she thinks, "people too often neglect") under auspices of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, of whose women's auxiliary she is retiring president, Mrs. Byram also is active in the American Legion auxiliary.

This Christmas, she believes, will be the happier for her because of the small but real donation she has made to some veterans' enjoyment. Her son and his wife will be here to enhance it and she is especially eager to know what Ira, jr., sent home in that large box, while he was still in Germany, that's "Not to be opened before Christmas."



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Receiving Home

Revision of the outmoded plans for a Children's Receiving Home heretofore approved by the Board of Public Welfare was assured on Friday when a group of social workers met with representatives of the board in the office of Colonel Arthur, Assistant Engineer Commissioner. The social workers apparently won several notable concessions: (1) The size of the home will be reduced so as to make it more strictly a detention home. (2) Separate sleeping quarters, dining rooms and play space will be provided to avoid throwing merely homeless children or minor offenders into companionship with young criminals. (3) There seems to be a possibility of returning to the 1941 plan for a much smaller detention home, which would leave ample funds for a wholly separate institution temporarily to house children awaiting assignment for proper care but in no way accused of wrongdoing.

The important thing is that the plans of the Board of Public Welfare to go ahead with a wholly inappropriate type of institution have been upset. That is disconcerting for the board, but it has only itself to blame. The civic organizations especially concerned with child care had made their case against a composite receiving home and detention home clear and emphatic months ago. All the weight of authority in the social welfare field was on their side. The board went ahead with its plans in spite of sound advice from many sources. Now at last the Commissioners have taken a hand, to their great credit. We hope they will exercise sufficient authority in the matter to make the modern concept of child care prevail. Precisely what the outcome will be appears to wait upon another meeting of the social welfare experts with board representatives and Colonel Arthur next Thursday.

Meanwhile, this episode has further strengthened the case for lifting administrative work out of the hands of the Board of Public Welfare. The board might well have devoted time and energy to ascertaining what kind of children's receiving home the District needs—to learning the viewpoint of experts in this field of social work and that of representative District organizations. Instead, it grossly neglected this work for which it is fitted and blundered along with administrative tasks for which it is wholly unfitted. Combined with the jail fiasco, this incident should certainly hasten the transfer of all local administrative authority in the welfare field to the Commissioners.

Captain McVay

A naval court has decided that Captain McVay, commander of the ill-destined cruiser Indianapolis, was guilty of negligence in that he did not specifically order a zigzag course while the ship was in what proved to be dangerous waters. As to another charge of culpable inefficiency, the court, without specifically exonerating him, returned the Scots verdict of "not proven." The punishment recommended by the court has not been disclosed, and the case is still subject to review by the Secretary of the Navy.

A study of the testimony taken at the trial, as reported to *The Post* by Mr. Marshall Andrews, suggests, however, that in many respects Captain McVay was not so much a victim of his own errant judgment as the victim of a somewhat spiteful fate. A number of circumstances, having nothing to do with the abstract question of his responsibility for the disaster, weighed heavily against him. One of these was the fact that the sinking of the Indianapolis occurred barely a fortnight before the end of the war. Thus his trial was given a national publicity that would have been quite impossible even six months earlier. Because of this publicity, the judges, consciously or unconsciously, did everything in their power to avoid any suggestion that the Navy was seeking to exculpate a member of its regular establishment. It is indeed possible that in their determination to judge sternly and impartially of the conduct of one of their own household, the officers who comprised the court bent too far backward and inadvertently laid the Navy open to a worse suspicion than that of seeking to protect an officer from the condign consequences of his mistakes, namely, a suspicion that the Navy has exploited the case of Captain McVay in order to distract attention from sins of omission on the part of someone higher up than he in the naval service.

The testimony of the Japanese commander, Ito Hashimoto, has left no doubt that the submarine was where it was quite fortuitously; that is to say, it had not been searching for the Indianapolis or trailing her. The submarine had for some reason come to the surface, and it was only then that the commander became aware that the Indianapolis was in the vicinity somewhere off his starboard bow. Naturally, he prepared at once to make the most of the opportunity that had suddenly come his way. Commander Hashimoto's testimony makes it plain enough that the result of his discovery could not have been otherwise than it was, even if the Indianapolis had been pursuing a zigzag instead of a direct course. Here it is necessary to remember that if the Japanese I-58 had not happened to be precisely where she was at the precise moment, no one would ever have questioned Captain McVay's wisdom in holding to a straight course. It is even possible that he might have been commended for his economical use of his fuel.

But it was Commander Hashimoto's testimony that the Indianapolis was visible through his periscope at a distance of some 300 meters, or about 10,000 yards, that tipped the scales of the evidence on the side of Captain McVay's conviction. The visibility of the cruiser at this distance indicated a clear moonlit night. The standing orders of the ship were that the course should be zigzag when visibility was high, but direct when visibility was low. At this time Captain McVay was asleep in his cabin on the bridge. Thus, unless before retiring he had given special oral orders on the matter, the question as to the ship's course was at the discretion of the officer of the deck, who was one of the many hundreds that perished.

But even if we accept the verdict that Captain McVay, by not explicitly prescribing a zigzag course, was primarily responsible for the loss of the cruiser, it by no means follows that he was responsible for the sickening loss of life among the survivors. The ship's complement was 1196 officers and men. Of these perhaps 330 were asleep or on watch below when the cruiser was hit and were killed outright by the explosions or were trapped by the inrush of the sea. The rest were able to abandon ship. Thus it is clear that the greatest loss of life occurred after the Indianapolis had gone to the bottom; that is to say, it occurred not because the ship was torpedoed but because it was not until almost a week afterward that the efforts to rescue her survivors got under way. Now the record shows that the Indianapolis left Guam on the afternoon of July 27. She was torpedoed five minutes after midnight on the morning of July 30; that is, somewhere between 6 and 12 hours after she was due to arrive at Leyte. The hour of her scheduled arrival was well known to the command at the naval station at Leyte. Yet not even when the Indianapolis was six days overdue did it occur to the naval authorities at Leyte to try to find out what might have happened to her. Thus the entire crew might well have perished had not the crew of a plane of the Marine aerial patrol spotted some of the survivors at some time on August 5.

It is this incredible piece of negligence on the part of someone at Leyte, and never explained, that gives rise to the suspicion which, as we said, is probably quite unjust, that the Navy has sacrificed the career and reputation of Captain McVay for the purpose of diverting attention from the more appalling aspect of the Indianapolis tragedy, namely, the wholly needless loss of so many hungry, half-crazed men who waited through day after day of indescribable torture for the rescuers that never came.

Crass Imperialism

It is certainly no coincidence that with reports from Azerbaijan describing the *coup d'etat* which resulted in the setting up of an autonomous government in that Iranian Province as about complete, Soviet Russia's big journalistic guns have begun laying down a heavy barrage in the general direction of Turkey. Since, in view of the way it came into being, the Tabriz regime must be regarded as a Soviet satellite, and since Azerbaijan's borders adjoin those of Turkey, Russia is now in a position to put greater pressure on Turkey than ever before.

On Thursday, Moscow's four leading newspapers prominently published a demand that Turkey cede a strip of her Black Sea littoral to the Soviet Union. The area in question lies directly north of the Turkish Provinces of Kars and Ardahan and west of the Soviet oil port of Batum. It includes the Turkish port of Trebizond. The region in question adjoins the Soviet Republic of Georgia and is near the Armenian SSR. Armenian Nationalists have long been permitted (or more accurately prompted) to demand the incorporation of Kars and Erzerum in the Armenian SSR. Justification is being advanced for including the Trebizond area in the Soviet Union on the ground that it rightfully belongs to Georgia and was "stolen" from the Georgians by the Turks in the sixteenth century.

It seems more than passing strange that such a manifestation of crass imperialism should occur just at the time that the Foreign Ministers of the "Big Three" are meeting in Moscow. But the Soviet leaders, as their record proves, are less concerned about being polite hosts than about getting what they want. The very circumstance that, as an aftermath of the London fiasco, the British and American leaders made the long voyage to Moscow—another journey to Canossa, it is being called in London—may have persuaded them that friendship with Russia is so precious to Great Britain and America that we are prepared to pay any price to secure it and retain it.

Mr. Byrnes and Mr. Bevin have the unpleasant but very necessary task of ridding Mr. Molotov and his chief of such illusions. We hope they do not shirk that assignment. The American people and the British people, too, want friendship with Russia. But the kind of friendship they seek is not the kind that can be founded on endless concessions by America and Britain and none by Russia. Certainly it cannot be founded on treaty violations and territorial aggrandizement, no matter what phony historical and racial wrappings these actions are camouflaged in. We do not suggest an attitude of simple negativism. Firmness in this matter should be accompanied by a policy of seeking to remove causes of suspicion on the Soviet's part by concrete proposals. For instance, if the problem in Iran is oil, what is wrong with the suggestion, reviewed last Sunday in these columns by Andre Visson, of an Anglo-American-Russian corporation for the operation of all oil concessions within Iran?

Naval Salute

A rereading of the President's message to Congress on merger of the armed services was made obligatory by the extravagant analysis of it which came from the chairman of the House Naval Affairs Committee, Representative Carl Vinson. "The very phraseology of the scheme," said Mr. Vinson, "smacks of the Germany of the Kaiser and of Hitler, of Japanese militarism." This intemperate statement is in no way supported by study of the President's proposal. It is all the more inexplicable when we consider that the Germans, in World War I as in World War II, kept their army, their navy and their air force altogether distinct. And in Japan, the rivalry between sea and land services was almost as notorious as between our own.

We should, of course, be very reluctant to see Congress adopt any system of defense which smacked of militarism, German, Japanese or even, for that matter, American. Yet we cannot imagine why the Army and Navy should be any more militaristic in wedlock than out of it—unless, in using the term, Mr. Vinson confuses it with efficiency of operation. This is one of those situations in which the whole is likely to be much greater than the sum of its parts. The defense forces of the United States—land, sea and air alike—will be more potent through the coordination of their strength which will flow from union. They will not, in any case, together or apart, become militaristic unless the Nation they serve becomes so and delivers control of them into militarist hands.

Perhaps Representative Vinson came nearer to the real source of his misgivings about the President's plan when he observed that it was "military power politics" which would "sink the Navy." His devotion to the Navy does him great credit. It stems from a lifetime of distinguished service to that great fighting organization which has made him as Navy-minded as any blue-water admiral. But we do not believe that he need fear any sinking of the mighty fleets he has been so instrumental in building. One of the virtues of unification is that it should put an end to, or at least curtail, the kind of "military power politics" to which we presume Mr. Vinson refers—that is, the jealous jockeying for preference between the Army and the Navy. Both, of course, are needed—but in concert, not in competition.

Mexican Tiff

Lombardo Toledano, Mexico's labor chief, has made charges against the United States of instigating rebellion in Mexico which are grave enough to warrant the vigorous protest entered by Ambassador Messersmith. To be sure, a presidential contest is in the preliminary stages, and, as we are only too painfully familiar in this country, on such occasions the air is apt to get crowded with charges and countercharges. But xenophobia is a dangerous game to play even in a country where the material for presidential contests usually consists of the degree of Americophobia or Americophilia of the rival candidates. No country these days can afford it, let alone neighbors. Lombardo Toledano's contribution to such dangerous frivolities is the charge that "the National Sinarquist Union is receiving weapons from the United States to organize the rebellion."

Lombardo Toledano is the head of the Mexican Confederation of Workers, and as such has some influence in his own country. All the more reason, therefore, that he should weigh his words carefully. This Government by a series of acts culminating in the water treaty has lived up to the good-neighbor policy which was enunciated by the Roosevelt Administration. In this context the instigation of rebellion on the part of American interests is repugnant. That any suspicion of such a design could be entertained in Mexico is not very helpful to good relations. Ambassador Messersmith's protest is, therefore, in order, and Lombardo Toledano should be asked to name names. If he is just drawing on venom, the lightest reproach he will invite is that he is both irresponsible and demagogic.

SAGITTARIUS

Now, with the sun entering the ninth sign
on the glittering path of the zodiac,
the sign of the Archer, the year folds toward
its close;
it is the season of smoky lingering sunsets
and that stillness compounded of the several
silences of the year:
echo of axe-stroke, far-ringing bay of a
hound,
and farther in the hills the lonely whistle of a
train:
it is these things that emphasize the damp
leaf-smelling silence of dusk.

And this is the hour when the bittersweet
burns impossibly bright,
scarlet and flame, against the smoky crimson
of sumac,
against the spectral white berries of snow-
drop:
this is the hour of the sudden chill at sun-
down
with the twilight coldly lime-green in the
west
and the first star trembling like a clear drop
of water:
it is now that Orion, the Huntsman with the
shimmering sword belt,
prepares to scale again the eastern wall of
night.

FREDERICK EBRIGHT

Pacific Affairs

By Audrey Menefee

MAJ. GEN. Patrick Hurley's blast at the State Department may not have had the results he hoped for, but it did one great service to this country. It forced clarification of American policy in China, as outlined in the President's statement of last week.

It is a curious thing that the passage of most critical urgency in the President's statement was also the most ambiguous. He observed that the presence of autonomous armies makes the achievement of Chinese political unity impossible. He added that "with the institution of a broadly representative government," all such armies should be integrated into the National army.

The statement would have been more forceful if the President had made it clear that these two steps—disbanding the Communist armies and instituting representative government in Chungking—must be taken as part of a single over-all agreement. This issue has been the greatest stumbling block on the road to Chungking-Communist agreement over the last 10 years. It has reached a stage where only international pressure may be able to break the stalemate, since the immediate problem is one of saving face for both parties.

ALTHOUGH THE prospects for avoiding full-scale civil war in China never seemed brighter than today, the fact remains that unless Chiang Kai-shek and Chou En-lai can find a solution for the stalemate China's internal conflict will continue and expand. In this event China's fatigue after eight years of war would prevent either side from winning a decisive victory and gaining control over all of China.

Civil war on a large scale in China would also open the way for Japan's reemergence as the dominant power in east Asia. This possibility is strengthened by General MacArthur's frontal attack on Oriental feudalism in Japan. A large part of China's internal war is being fought over the question of rural serfdom and absentee landlord rule—a crippling system which Japan is rapidly throwing off under General MacArthur.

But if the negotiations in Chungking are successful, then a coalition Chinese government may begin to take the lead in instituting industrial and rural reforms and in developing a grass-roots democracy heretofore unheard of in Asia. This kind of Asiatic leadership would differ markedly from, and be much more influential in the long run than, the kind of pan-Chinese expansion in southeast Asia which the Kuomintang was encouraging just before the war.

A representative government would be composed of die-hard as well as liberal Kuomintang members—and there are many more of the latter than is generally supposed. Add to these some delegates from the Communist Party and the Democratic League, and there would inevitably be reforms in China's feudal economy. Much of Chungking's political corruption would also be dissipated under a new government.

THE WELL-ORGANIZED and experienced partisans of Manchuria will exert a great influence in forcing reforms in the north. Chinese Communists form a belt all the way across north China, and their economic policies have had a dynamic effect beyond the areas which they control.

In addition, China and the Soviet Union have a common frontier in Mongolia, Chinese Turkestan (Sinkiang) and Manchuria. The nearness of Soviet territory will operate, as it has elsewhere, to speed economic changes. With Japan's defeat Russia became the only great industrial power on the entire Asiatic continent. And Russia has eliminated the old feudal landholding classes, raised agricultural production, and increased industrial production in parts of the Far East even faster than in European Russia. These forces will be explosive. To counter them, a unified China can develop economic policies as progressive as those of the Russians, however different their national character.

The political effect of a Chinese democracy will be incalculable in Asia. Colonial imperialism could not long survive in its present form alongside a powerful, unified and peaceful China.

China today is of course far more advanced than Japan was during the Meiji Restoration. But certain parallels may be drawn. If in the nineteenth century we had exported more of our democratic ideas to Japan, along with our machinery and industrial skills, the Far Eastern war might never have occurred. We should profit by this experience and give the Chinese as much help as possible out of our own democratic political experience, to guard against any revival of totalitarian government.

Ideas And Realities In Moscow

By Andre Visson

The Struggle For Lasting Peace

DIPLOMATIC DISPATCHES from Moscow contain two important indications. The atomic bomb and Iran have both lost their original priority on the agenda of the conference, and Japan and the Balkans—including Turkey—have become the main topics of discussion. The Soviet diplomats are pressing their interest in the administration of Japan, and preparing the way for the satisfaction of their claims on Turkey. On the other hand, the conference is reported to be showing ever greater signs of becoming a discussion of American and Soviet viewpoints, with the British searching for an adjustment between Soviet realities and the American principles—an adjustment that would not be harmful to vital British interests.

A certain compromise is expected on the administration of Japan, although it is emphasized that there can be no concession on the matter of American direction and control of the administration of Japan.

AS REGARDS THE Balkans, the Soviets are reported to be refusing to consider them as an isolated problem. They seem to be trying to tie in the discussion of the Balkan problems with those of the Far East. They appear to be seriously interested in the administration of Japan, but it is believed that their insistence on coupling the problems of the Far East with those of the Balkans, may also, to a certain extent at least, be determined by their desire to secure the most favorable bargaining position.

It is as yet impossible to ascertain whether the campaign in the Soviet press about the Turkish Black Sea port of Trebizond indicates a new extension of the Soviet claims on Turkey, or whether it is merely a shrewd diplomatic counteroffensive against the unfavorable report by Mark Ethridge on conditions in Bulgaria and Romania, which Secretary Byrnes brought with him to Moscow.

But it is extremely significant that British diplomacy on the problems of the Balkans, as well as of Iran and many other areas, is following a line that is only to a certain point parallel to the American line.

It is learned that while the British have decided shortly to recognize the new Yugoslav republic established by Marshal Tito's regime, the U. S. State Department is preparing a diplomatic note which will make clear the American position with regard to Yugoslavia. It is not yet certain whether this note will be sent during or after the Moscow Conference. But it is authoritatively stated that once sent to Belgrade, it will be released in Washington, in order clearly to put on record the American attitude toward Yugoslavia. This note is said to be a follow-up of the exchange of notes between Washington and Belgrade which took place in November, the contents of which have not yet been made public.

ON THE EVE of the Yugoslav elections (November 11), the State Department expressed its feelings about the conditions in Yugoslavia and its anxiety to see those conditions modified in order to permit what Americans could consider "free and unfettered" elections, as determined by the Yalta declaration. Marshal Tito's government answered with a note on November 17. The note is said to have pointed out, that from the Yugoslav government's point of view, the conditions proscribed by the Yalta declaration, were carried out and that the fairness of the Yugoslav elections could not be contested. The forthcoming American note, it is reported, will give the official American opinion about conditions in Yugoslavia. Thus, should Washington publicly express its disapproval of political conditions in Bulgaria and Romania, on the basis of the Mark Ethridge report, the American note to Yugoslavia will serve to complete the picture of the general American attitude on the Balkans.

AMERICAN DISAPPROVAL of conditions in the Balkan countries will not necessarily result in the nonrecognition of the regimes established in those countries. This recognition may eventually be granted, but with reservations which should unequivocally establish the American Government's disapproval of certain situations which it is not at present in a position to change. American foreign policy is inspired by the belief that public opinion—not only at home but in even those countries where it cannot today freely express itself—will eventually become the determining factor. And it is for that foreign public opinion, as well as for the public opinion at home, that the American Government would like to put itself clearly on record. The American nonrecognition of Manchukuo in 1931 did not have immediate results, but it gave the American Government a clean record with respect to Chinese integrity in 1945.

The British do not contest the rectitude of American principles, but they do not believe that Britain can, under the present circumstances, afford a similar long-range policy. The motto of British policy is said to be: "Not appease, but not oppose." The British are reluctant to oppose where they are not sure of being able successfully to maintain their opposition. They believe that if they have to make concessions, such concessions should be made willingly and in such a way that they would win them concessions in return. They are unwilling to show their ill-humor in Yugoslavia or Bulgaria, because they are not anxious to see the Soviet government display its ill-humor in Greece.

They have accepted the establishment of the Soviet-inspired government in Soviet-controlled northern Iran, because they do not believe that the Soviet establishment in northern Iran is of immediate danger to their vital interests in southern Iran, and also because they do not see how this Soviet accomplishment can be opposed by diplomatic notes. They, therefore, took care not to invite the Russians—as did the Americans—to evacuate Iran by January 1, because they believe that in the Near East, more than anywhere else, the people judge foreign powers not by their good intentions but by the success of their diplomatic action.

DEFENDERS OF American foreign policy on Iran recognize that the American failure to obtain the withdrawal of the Soviet forces from Iran by January 1, and to prevent the gradual dismemberment of Iran, may result in a loss of American prestige in the Near East. They point out, however, that this loss of prestige would be temporary only and would some day be largely compensated for by the realization of all Near Eastern peoples that during the days of crisis the United States was the only champion of their independence and integrity. The failure of American diplomacy to defend that independence and integrity will be, they argue, forgotten, but the good intentions of the American Government will be remembered and duly appreciated.

This is a conflict of basic conceptions of two foreign policies. Americans believe that they are secure enough to plan a long-range policy. The British are convinced that the harsh realities of the present impose upon them many unpleasant immediate compromises.

Letters To The Editor

Communications must carry the writer's name and address though pen names are permitted at the editor's discretion. Letters should be held to not more than 200 words. They are subject to condensation.

D. C. Transportation

To justify the expenditure of 56 million dollars (the cost of constructing the subways proposed by the consultants employed by the District Commissioners), material benefits should accrue to both transit riders and motorists. Neither of these, however, will gain appreciably from the subway plan of the consultants or from any short subway or underpass plan for the downtown area. It has been repeatedly pointed out that the average streetcar rider will save less than three minutes per trip via subways no longer than those suggested.

Furthermore, under no subway plan will it be possible to accommodate an additional 3500 automobiles per hour on the streets in the central area. Considering the expenditures that would be needed for supplimentary parking for these extra motorists, 56 million dollars will only be the initial outlay under the proposed plan. For these insignificant gains the taxpayers and the transit riders will have to pay a high price in the form of increased taxes and/or fares to amortize this uneconomical project.

It is now generally admitted that only a minute percentage of the potential all-day parkers can be accommodated in the central area if ample, convenient parking facilities are furnished the patrons of downtown stores and offices. Our present central area streets are now of sufficient width for non-rush-hour automobile traffic. There is, therefore, no need to enlarge the present street capacity for rush-hour automobile traffic, since that peak period traffic in the central area in the future will have to be curtailed by the gradual reduction in all-day parking space. Rather the need is to modernize the present streets and traffic controls (equipment and regulations) to enable the establishment of an expeditious, combination local-zone express, transit service.

Furthermore, the streetcar—even in cities of over 500,000—is being gradually supplanted by the bus with its improved riding characteristics and almost equivalent capacity because of the lower operating costs and greater speed and flexibility of the bus. Consequently, it is questionable if any large expenditures should be made to temporarily but inadequately revive a dying means of urban transportation.

It is therefore imperative because of the apparent deficiencies in the consultants' plan that full consideration and publicity be given to all other proposals and programs for solving Washington's transportation problems.

C. W. SMITH.
Washington, Dec. 15.

Navy Overpasses

Four months after the ending of the war why are those ugly structures, the overpasses between Navy Department buildings, allowed to remain over the reflecting pool between the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument? Visitors from out of town are always disappointed to find these overpasses still disfiguring the view from the Lincoln Memorial. Standing on the Memorial steps, one often hears the disappointment of visitors being voiced. As long as the war continued, the Navy Department's convenience was paramount in this matter, and rightly so. But with the ending of hostilities, the force of the argument has been completely lost. No doubt there is a need for direct passes between these Navy Department buildings, but need they be overground? Certainly the men who could build airfields on Pacific islands in a few days would not take long to dig two or three tunnels under the reflecting pools!

CHARLES EGBERT THURSTON.
Washington, Dec. 16.

Fact Finding

I have invested most of my savings in securities of a number of industrial corporations, as a means of securing a fair income for my old age.

I have been reading in the papers lately that the fact-finding board, appointed by the President to determine the ability of corporations to pay higher salaries to organized labor intends to base their decisions on the earnings of the corporations. I, and many other investors with whom I have spoken, are wondering whether this board will take into consideration the fact that investors should receive a fair return on their investment and that the corporations should put into their reserve funds enough to protect the investors, and also to insure jobs to labor in times of depression.

From statistical information that I have gathered, it is my understanding that there are a greater number of investors in the large corporations than there are workers. A large proportion of these investors are widows, orphans, and disabled persons whose sole income is derived from industrial investments. It is my belief that these investors are also entitled to some consideration by the fact-finding board.

In view of the above, it is my opinion that the public should be informed by the fact-finding board as to what steps will be taken to assure the investors a fair income, a fair amount of safety for their investment, and an adequate reserve for each corporation.

ROBERT SHAPIRO.
Washington, Dec. 19.

Testimonial

In leaving Washington and returning to Kentucky after 16 years, my family and I do so with a keen sense of regret. We think Washington is the outstanding city of our world.

I am reluctant to leave Washington without expressing our gratitude for the part The Post has played in not only making Washington a better city but also making our stay here a more pleasant one.

The Post deserves especial commendation for the emphasis given to the welfare of Federal employes and to the religious affairs of the Nation's Capital.

This letter would not be complete either if I did not say that I have enjoyed your editorial page and the two pages of comics. I have read most all of them every day and thoroughly enjoyed them.

WALTER A. GRAHAM
Washington, Dec. 18.

'Packages For Abroad'

I should like to add my voice to the plea published on December 19 from Mr. A. Y. Yeghenian of Baltimore.

It would be a splendid thing if your paper would campaign for the establishment of machinery in UNRRA or some other competent organization for the rapid transport and delivery of supplies given by private persons here.

Many persons are now sending the little 11-pound packages now permitted by postal regulations and many more would like to send help, but the present method is so slow, so inadequate and inefficient.

I have a letter from a Polish-American soldier in the Philippines telling of the plight of his family.

"Only a few days ago I received a letter from my brother in Poland which said that most of my family had been killed. My three oldest brothers were executed by the Germans, my mother and sister died from grief and worry, and in the meantime my sister's husband was executed in a concentration camp somewhere in Germany, leaving their two children between the ages of 4 and 7 without a home. My brother, who was more fortunate than the rest of my family, has returned from a German concentration camp and at present is taking care of those two children along with four of his own.

"My brother writes that he is having an extremely hard time caring for the children. Inasmuch as he has no income it is almost impossible for him to feed and clothe all of the six children and they are practically starving.

"Since I am overseas and have no relations and only a few friends in the States, it makes it almost impossible for me to give him help. I will certainly appreciate it if in some way you could give some aid for the care of the children or advise me if there is any way that I may get some aid to him."

Now that winter is upon us the thought of all these cold and hungry people gives us pain. We could spare a good deal to them if there were some way to get it there.

MARY THORNHILL.
Washington, Dec. 20.

Wage Principles Change

Capacity to Pay Idea Shoves Take Home Pay Cries Into Background

By Leo Wolman

In the next few years the American people will be afforded rich opportunities to learn about alternative principles of wage adjustment. They will see how flexible such policies are and how swiftly one succeeds another as conditions and the climate of opinion change.

Maintenance of take-home pay was the leading wage principle not so many months ago when the authorities predicted large unemployment and severe cuts in earnings. The first pickets wore or carried placards bearing the 52-40 formula. Before increases were sought for many employes whose hours of work, even during the war, had not exceeded 40 per week. To them the principle of maintaining pay was applicable. At the same time plants were struck, in the furtherance of this principle, which were still working substantially more than 40 hours and showed few signs of falling shortly below that number.

Conditions Push Principle Into Background

Contrary to expectations, also, the development of reconversion brought indications of labor shortage, instead of labor surplus, and clearly pointed to the retention of a work-week certainly longer than 40 and perhaps as long as 48 hours. Conditions, therefore, are slowly pushing the take-home principle into the background and, as this happens, another principle arises to take its place.

The principle of capacity-to-pay at the moment dominates the American wage scene. According to this principle, wages should be raised because there exists the capacity to pay them.

The sources of this ability to pay are profits, past, present and future, hidden and revealed; vast accumulation of working capital and reserves, presumed to be available for wage increases; savings from the greater efficiency and productivity of industry. Because of these sources, the principle runs, wages can be raised without affecting prices.

There are already signs that the influence of this attractive principle is beginning to wane. Its potency has been so exaggerated as to create dissension and embarrassment within the ranks of the negotiators. Many of these recognize the close interconnection between wages and prices. Their primary and most pressing task, put upon them by their constituents, is to lift the level of wages. If the price they are required to pay for higher wages is higher prices, then they are prepared to contemplate and deal with rising prices (or inflation) at some future and unknown date.

Right or Wrong, Certain Tactics Unavoidable

What lies ahead, therefore, is the rise of still another principle—this, like the others, a product of circumstance. If and when the effects of general and substantial wage advances show themselves in the behavior of prices, wages and the men and women who negotiate over wages will be exposed to new and powerful pressure.

The highest wages on record will begin to buy less than they used to. The purchasing power of wages, as the professionals put it, will begin to decline. As this movement gathers force, the cost-of-living principle will assume its rightful place in the list of wage principles.

No one of these principles is right or wrong, correct or incorrect. Their use represents the tactics of negotiation and bargaining. In a competitive society, they often reflect the forces of the market. How close or far they are from the facts has little to do with their influence. And, under present conditions, they are proving of small value in furthering wage and price policies calculated to be in the long-term and general interest of the people of this country.

WILL THE HERO ARRIVE IN TIME? LOOKS HIGHLY DOUBTFUL

Hard To Pick

UNO Envoys Not All-Star But Balanced

By Ernest Lindley

The selection of the American delegation to the first meeting of the UNO Assembly was as difficult a piece of balancing as President Truman has had to do. One obstacle which he has encountered in making other recent appointments was absent: reluctance to serve. The honor was too great to be rejected. The obverse side of this factor was that there were claims to membership on the delegation which the President could not ignore.

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He couldn't slight either the Senate or House, which had equal representation at San Francisco. He solved this by naming two Senators—Connally and Vandenberg—as delegates and two Representatives—Bloom and Eaton—as alternates.

Secretary of State James F. Byrnes obviously should be present, at least in the opening days. Unless he goes, other leading nations cannot be expected to send their foreign secretaries, whose absence would give the impression that UNO is not taken seriously.

Prestige Abroad Asset

Edward R. Stettinius, jr., is an equally obvious choice. Through his work at Dumbarton Oaks, San Francisco and on the executive committee of the preparatory commission, he has done more than any other individual to translate the United Nations idea into concrete organization.

The selection of Mrs. Roosevelt speaks for itself. Leaders of both parties in Congress regarded her designation as fitting. Many Americans consider her eminently qualified and others will recognize that her prestige abroad is a national asset.

The inclusion of John Foster Dulles in the five alternates provides the delegation with another seasoned expert who served at San Francisco and at the Council of Foreign Ministers in London.

With Frank C. Walker and John G. Townsend, jr., the delegation contains six Democrats and four Republicans.

Choice Questioned

Messrs. Walker and Townsend are decidedly not experts and one may question whether the public influence of either is sufficient to have justified their inclusion. Walker, however, was a man whose judgment Roosevelt valued highly. He also is respected by active Democratic politicians and, not to be overlooked, is a Catholic.

Former Senator Townsend of Delaware is less easily explained, except that he is a Republican who could be chosen without affront to others. Many Americans will regret that Mr. Truman did not appoint former Governor Harold Stassen of Minnesota, whose work at San Francisco was outstanding.

The American delegation is not quite all star, but well balanced, and includes most individuals whose presence will show the importance which the United States attaches to the meeting and best assure continued cooperation between the Executive, Congress and between major parties in pursuit of central objectives of American policy.

Rights of Individuals At Stake in Proposals To End 'Wild' Strikes

By Mark Sullivan

Things are done. They have an immediate purpose and effect and by this they are judged. But they also have long-range effects. They are details in the pattern of things to come, now being shaped. For example:

Unions make contracts with companies. The contracts contain stipulations that there shall be no strikes or other work stoppages by the union or its members.

In spite of these stipulations, there have been strikes and work stoppages, in practically all cases unofficial, though carried on by union members. They are called "wildcat strikes."

To remedy or prevent the losses caused by such strikes, the Ford company, some two weeks ago, proposed that in a new or amended contract, the union should compensate the company for losses caused by such strikes.

Counter-Proposal Made

About the same time a different remedy came under consideration by Congress. This was that when a union has made a contract stipulating that there shall be no strikes, and when thereafter there are strikes, the union should lose its legal standing as a bargaining agent.

Faced by the threat of action by Congress, leaders of the union in the automobile industry made a counter-proposal to Ford providing that violations of contract, in the form of unauthorized strikes, should be penalized. But the penalty would be put on the individual members of the union who engage in such strikes.

The proposal of the union leaders said: "Any employe or employes found guilty of instigating, fomenting or giving leadership to an unauthorized stoppage of work shall be subject to discharge."

Even for workers who merely participate there was also a penalty—a fine of $3 for each day of the stoppage. (In case of a second stoppage, $5 a day.)

This proposal was received with widespread praise. The reason for the praise was that the proposal would prevent work stoppages. Basically, the instinctive reason for praise was it would result in more continuous operation of factories, hence greater production of goods. In short, production is desirable, therefore, whatever will promote production is desirable.

Questions Raised

To put production above other considerations is today a prevailing American philosophy. Production is at this time a need so imperative that it may justify approval of whatever tends to bring it about. But judged by other times, the proposal of the automobile union leaders raises some questions.

Here are two economic organizations, a manufacturing company and a labor union—and these two would make a business contract with each other by which they would undertake to regulate and penalize the conduct of individuals, the exercise by individuals or groups of the right to strike if they so wish.

It may be that unauthorized strikes are deplorable. Nevertheless, to take from a group the right to conduct an unauthorized strike is a considerable deprivation of liberty. If such a deprivation were imposed by Government, by law, it would be a normal thing. To impose it by a contract between two economic organizations is different.

Tendency World Wide

Further, this proposal would bring workers who are members of a union into much greater subjection to union discipline. Members of a union would not be permitted to strike unless the union leaders or a majority of the union tell them to.

To assume that production of goods is the supreme objective of society is a world-wide tendency. It denies older ideals of personal liberty and of the rights of minorities against majorities. It underlies the new conceptions of Government, both the Communist type and the Fascist type. Evidence of it are emerging in America. They suggest a text for Christmas sermons upholding the spiritual aspect of men as against the material.

FDR's Library Already Filled, Needs Addition

Washington Bureau of Chicago Sun

The public papers of Franklin D. Roosevelt are accumulating so rapidly that the ambitious library built on the estate of the late President is going to be too small to handle them.

Most of the papers still are in Washington. When these documents start being shipped to Hyde Park the library Mr. Roosevelt loved so well will burst at its seams.

The papers, however, include principally only those assembled by the staff of Mr. Roosevelt and do not include the bales of letters and memoranda still in the hands of other people, who have been requested to turn them over.

On this basis, the library sooner or later will have to be enlarged. There are plans in existence, approved by Mr. Roosevelt, calling for a new wing. If it is enlarged, financing would have to be done by act of Congress since Mr. Roosevelt turned the building over to the Federal Government.

The building already is a national shrine. From July 1 to November 1, 35,000 registered as visitors.

MacArthur and Eisenhower Top Choices for Presidency

Continued From Page One

D. Rockefeller, jr., Winthrop Aldrich.

Ralph Budd, Powel Crosley, jr., Tom Girdler, Harvey S. Firestone, Edward Noble, Benjamin Fairless, Eddie Rickenbacker, Gen. Robert E. Wood, Grover Whalen, Eric Johnston.

EDUCATORS, SCIENTISTS: Robert M. Hutchins, James B. Conant, Dr. Robert Gordon Sproul, Frank Porter Graham, Karl Taylor Compton, George Stoddard, Harold W. Dodds, Charles E. Merriam, John W. Studebaker, Vannevar Bush, Edward Charles Elliott.

MILITARY, GOVERNMENT: Gens. George C. Marshall, Henry H. Arnold, James J. Doolittle, Admiral William F. Halsey, Gen. Brehon Somervell, David Lilienthal.

Secretary of the Navy James Forrestal, General Lewis B. Hershey, Harlan F. Stone, Will Clayton, Gen. Mark Clark, Joseph E. Davies, Myron Taylor, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Gen. Alexander Vandegrift, Felix Frankfurter, J. Edgar Hoover, Owen Roberts, William O. Douglas, Admiral Richard Byrd.

WRITERS: Sumner Welles, Walter Lippmann, Max Lerner, Robert Sherwood, Archibald MacLeish.

EDITORS AND NEWSMEN: Col. Robert R. McCormick, Manchester Boddy, Douglas S. Freeman, Bruce Bliven, Marshall Field, Gardner Cowles, Roy Howard, Fulton Lewis, jr., Hans V. Kaltenborn, Gabriel Heatter, Walter Winchell, Dorothy Thompson, Westbrook Pegler, Lowell Thomas, John W. Vandercook, Drew Pearson, Samuel Grafton, Mark Sullivan, Quentin Reynolds, Elmer Davis.

LABOR LEADERS: John L. Lewis, Philip Murray, William Green, Sidney Hillman, R. J. Thomas, Harry Bridges, Walter P. Reuther.

CLERGYMEN: Harry Emerson Fosdick, Father Coughlin, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, Fulton J. Sheen.

The Washington Merry-Go-Round

Kent Being Ignored in Pearl Probe

By Drew Pearson

Republican members of the Pearl Harbor Investigating Committee have just about given up the idea of calling Tyler Kent, former United States Embassy clerk in London, as witness. Young Kent, who was convicted of telling the contents of secret messages he decoded at the American Embassy and served several years in a British jail, has nothing to contribute to the Pearl Harbor story, they believe.

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The two House Republicans became convinced following an evening with Kent, while the GOP Senators, Brewster of Maine and Ferguson of Michigan, are inclined to let the matter drop without even seeing Kent.

Kent spent a long evening last week at the home of Representative Frank Keefe of Wisconsin, with Representative Bertrand Gearhart of California also present. Kent admitted that although he thought he had information concerning secret correspondence between FDR and Churchill in 1938 he had nothing to contribute to the history of the days just before December 7, 1941.

Furthermore, Kent said all the documents he once had were taken by the British authorities.

However, Kent revealed he does have one document of some interest. After his conviction by the British court, in secret session, he dismissed his attorney and elected to appeal the case himself. In order to present his case he was permitted a copy of the official transcript of the proceedings, which contains all the evidence in the case.

When he finished his appeal, Kent walked out with the bulky transcript, was taken back to jail where he deposited the transcript in the strong-box provided prisoners for their valuables. It was not disturbed and he took it with him back to Washington when he was released.

Discharges Canceled

Nothing is more heartbreaking to GIs than to see a discharge just over the horizon, then have it canceled. That was what happened to the men at Maxton Army Air Base, Maxton, N. C., after Col. Frank X. Krebs received a message from Washington announcing that all men with three years' service who were surplus could be discharged.

Shortly thereafter, 200 men lined up to sign their discharge certificates. Then suddenly Colonel Krebs declared them essential. The expected discharges were canceled.

The "essential" work these men are doing is helping to train flight officers. On November 2, Col. Ralph Parkhill, who is stationed at Maxton Field, flew from North Carolina to Oakland, Calif., with a large crew on an "instrument navigation flight." It just so happens that Oakland is Colonel Parkhill's home. He spent four days with his family, then, with his crew, returned to Maxton Field. Other officers have made similar junkets.

Snyder Ignores Bowles

Price Administrator Chester Bowles made some serious charges last fall as to what would happen if WPB Construction Order L-41 was abolished, thereby removing controls on housing. The real estate industry waxed highly indignant that Bowles could believe its members would boom their prices and take advantage of the wartime housing shortage. Finally, Hugh Potter, former real estate official, convinced War Reconversion Director John Snyder to ignore Bowles' argument.

L-41 was lifted in October. In two months Snyder was forced to admit his mistake and call for new controls. One thing he found was that Bowles was absolutely correct when he predicted that prices on new houses would zoom overnight.

Order L-41 had limited residential construction to FHA-approved plans for houses to sell at not over $8000. Knowing that the removal of L-41 would boomerang, Bowles instructed OPA field representatives to report to Washington on what happened to prices for new houses. These figures are being sent in.

Based solely on newspaper advertisements appearing before and after October 15, the expiration date of L-41, OPA agents have found the following facts:

Miami, Fla., homes built at $8000 now selling at $16,000; Pittsburgh, homes built at $6000 selling at $8000; St. Paul-Minneapolis, homes built at $6000 selling at $8500 to $8750; Memphis, homes built at $6000 selling at $7000.

In Washington, one home was advertised in the early edition of a local newspaper of October 15—the day L-41 expired—at $8000. In the next edition of the same day, after L-41 expired, it was advertised at $10,000.

Why Secret Sessions?

It was the same old coalition of Republicans and Southern Democrats which operated during a secret session of the Senate Education and Labor Committee last week to defeat the 65-cent minimum wage bill. Senators Bob Taft of Ohio and Allen Ellender of Louisiana worked the coalition.

Their tactics were to insist that more witnesses opposing the bill should be heard. Hearings already had consumed six weeks, with personal appearances or statements submitted by 140 persons. Meanwhile, Ellender has been staging a personal campaign to get opposition witnesses to testify.

Although the committee is generally favorable to the 65-cent minimum wage, it was unwilling to turn Ellender down cold. So it was finally agreed that he be permitted to bring in four more witnesses to secret sessions beginning January 18, with a committee vote definitely scheduled for January 24.

Why this question of interest to millions of workers, farmers and businessmen should be debated in secret is hard to understand.

First Real Record Available

New Map Of Hispanic America Costs $500,000, But Worth It

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New York, Dec. 22.—Twenty-five years of work on the American Geographical Society's Map of Hispanic America will be climaxed this month when the Bogota sheet—last of the 107 sheets comprising the map—will be off the press.

Regarded as the largest single map project ever undertaken by a private organization, the map covers all the land areas of the American continent from the Mexican-United States boundary to Cape Horn as well as the West Indies. Known as "the millionth map" because of its scale of 1:1,000,000, it represents eight million square miles, or almost one-sixth of the land surface of the globe.

Completion of the project will be celebrated at a dinner December 19. Diplomatic and consular representatives of Latin-American countries have accepted invitations to attend.

Lack Appalling

"Dr. Isaiah Bowman, who is now president of Johns Hopkins University, inspired the project," Raye R. Platt, associate director of the society's department of Hispanic American research, said.

"When he was teaching geography at Yale Dr. Bowman made several trips to South America," explained Platt, "and he was appalled by the lack of good maps. He became director of the society in 1915 and resolved to do something about it, but he couldn't until after the war."

Under the direction of Alan G. Ogilvie, now professor of geography at the University of Edinburgh, work on the map was begun in 1920. The first sheet—that of the region around La Paz, Bolivia—was published in 1922.

Since that time an average of seven companies, draftsmen and editors have labored continuously. The total cost of research, compilation, drafting, printing and supplies has been nearly $500,000. If all the sheets, which were lithographed by A. Hoen & Co. of Baltimore, were joined, they would form a map of about 320 square feet in area and measuring 34 by 28 feet at its greatest dimension.

48 Sheets Assembled

Forty-eight of the sheets, representing northern South America, have been assembled on a spherical mounting in the exhibition room of the society under the direction of William A. Briesemeister, senior cartographer, who has worked on the job from start to finish. The display will be open to the public shortly after the dinner.

The scale of 1:1,000,000 and the modified polyconic projection of the map were selected, according to Briesemeister, to conform to the recommendation of the International Geographical Congress. Under such a scale one inch on the map represents approximately 12 miles on the ground.

Each sheet, he added, carried in its legend a reliability diagram to enable its users to appraise the accuracy of information on various sections of it.

To compile the map all available sources of information short of actual field surveys were used. As many as 250 different sources were used in the compilation of a single sheet.

No Pressure Yet, but Pals, Pocketbook Disappear

Japs Now Openly Discuss Emperor Abdication As MacArthur Cuts Deeper Into Imperial Circle

By Frank Kelley

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TOKYO, Dec. 22.—Three months after the first American troops entered Japan Emperor Hirohito is today a lonely figure, somewhat like an ancient tree shorn of its main branches, and with his abdication now openly discussed.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur, the man who wields the pruning knife, has cut down three of the Emperor's intimates—Prince Fumimaro Konoye (who later committed suicide), Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma, former Premiers, and Marquis Koichi Kido—by naming them as suspected war criminals, and he has shown that he is no respecter of the imperial circle by putting Prince Morimasu Nashimoto on the black list, as well.

MacArthur sliced deeper into the imperial system by outlawing state Shintoism and forbidding government support of religion. This will be a severe blow but MacArthur believes that government-propped religion has no place in democratic society.

Divinity Questioned

As far as MacArthur's directives are concerned, the supreme commander is treating the Emperor precisely like one of the Zaibatsu chiefs, with the exception that so far he has brought no direct pressure on Hirohito to resign.

Otherwise the Emperor's assets have been frozen, except for routine running expenses of the imperial household. He cannot dispose of them by making large gifts. His vast holdings will be subjected to a 100 per cent war profits tax and a steeply graduated capital levy. His excess farmlands will be sold to tenants.

For the first time in history Hirohito's supposed divinity has been openly questioned in the Diet (dissolved by Hirohito this week) by Hamachi Bumpei, a member of the dominant Progressive Party, who said the Emperor is "a human being in view of present political situations."

Tokyo's new tabloid daily, Minpo, run by Shigeru Matsumoto, a close friend of Konoye, said the Emperor should quit and assume war responsibility. Matsumoto is former editor in chief of the now defunct Domei news agency.

Konoye himself, according to usually reliable sources, recently formally suggested to Hirohito that he abdicate.

Americans Contacted

Although the Socialist Party is upholding the tenno or emperor system in its public platform, some of its prominent members, including Chozaburo Mizutani, are proposing that the Emperor get out.

How does the Emperor feel? In brief public appearances he has lost a lot of his inscrutable Oriental composure. In the Diet his hands tremble. But he has gone out of his way to be patient with American photographers.

Most significant of all, Hirohito now appears to be seeking American contacts. With oldtime buffers like Kido and Konoye gone, the Emperor is falling back for advice on one of Kido's satellites, Marquis Yasumasa Matsudaira, 52-year-old peer, who has been named "Keeper of the Imperial Documents" in the Lord Chamberlain's office.

For all practical purposes Matsudaira is the new Kido. He has the Emperor's ear and is quietly attempting to bring the palace in direct touch with American ideas and personalities. The Emperor has no American contacts at present. His only links with headquarters are devious—through the Cabinet of Baron Kijuro Shidehara, which in turn works through a liaison committee.

There is understandable concern in palace circles about Hirohito's future. Naturally, MacArthur is not tipping his hand as long as the Emperor is doing the job he is for Allied forces by keeping the occupation running smoothly. But the supreme commander has not denied the statement by his legal chief, Col. Alva C. Carpenter, that if evidence of the Emperor's war guilt presented itself he would be prosecuted like anyone else.

There is some concern, however, lest naming him a war criminal should cause serious trouble among the people.

Under the present constitution and imperial house law the Emperor cannot abdicate. Moreover, Article 75 says that the constitution cannot be revised under a regency. Therefore the constitution must be revised to provide for abdication while Hirohito is still on the throne.

Cabinet May Stall

The Shidehara Cabinet is reluctant to touch the constitution. The Emperor received two reports on revision from Konoye last month, one a general survey of the constitution, the other a detailed study of revision. Both were made available to the Cabinet with Hirohito's formal command to the Cabinet to revise the constitution, according to Matsudaira.

The Cabinet hopes to maintain the first four articles of the constitution intact. These bespeak the Emperor's inviolable sovereignty.

For the rest, Shidehara speaks in general terms of raising the status of the lower house and restricting the powers of the peers. The Emperor, it is understood, cannot actually order a provision for abdication but can only "initiate" revision by commanding the Cabinet to tackle the problem.

Joji Matsumoto, minister without portfolio, told the Diet the Cabinet is not considering revision to permit abdication. But Matsudaira said that statement was entirely "too strong."

It is a safe bet that the Shidehara Cabinet hopes to stall until after the January elections, when it will be out of office.

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Brahms Work, Old Carols To Be Heard

(This is the fifth of a series of comments by the conductor of the National Orchestra on forthcoming concert programs.)

By Hans Kindler

The Brahms great C Minor Symphony, will fill the first half of the program of today. From the very start the music grips us. The introduction is of glorious, intense, passionately throbbing rhythm, a real portal, an arch of magnificent span and grandeur through which we enter into the main part, which with its full blooded organism defies comparison with nearly all other works of its kind, unless it be Beethoven's Fifth.

CARTER

The second movement is of psalm-like poignancy with a lovely second theme in the oboe, with an occasional outburst of passion in the strings, and a soaring, star-like violin solo toward the end. The third movement, taking the place of the scherzo, is gentle, whimsical grace itself. But it is in the introduction to the Finale that Brahms shows himself in quite unearthly grandeur. It is here that he becomes of the stature of the great bards of the world, giving us one of the deepest and most sublime utterances human ears ever have heard. This music will remain as long as humanity remains. It is like unto nature itself. It is cosmic in its intensity. The horn and flute solos after the superb turmoil of the star are like the sun's rays breaking through the clouds, the ensuing chorale (which after the entire last movement comes back as the beginning of the coda), the warmth of the main melody of this last movement, they are all so many strokes of genius for which Brahms had carefully prepared himself.

In the second half we will play a number of the works in the spirit of the Christmastide, starting with "Noel" by Chadwick, followed by the evocative "Stars" by Howe, then the "Dream Pantomime" from Hansel and Gretel, and the Polonaise from "Christmas Eve" by Rimsky-Korsakov.

I will then make a slight diversion from the usual run of symphony programs. As I think that this Christmas is one for which we can be especially thankful, I would like the audience to become a soloist with the National Symphony Orchestra, and to unite with us in a kind of private Christmas celebration. To this end, the young Washington soprano, Juanita Carter, will sing four of the best-known Christmas carols, and the audience will be asked to join in the second verse of each of these. They may even encore themselves, and sing a third verse, if they feel so inclined! If the response warrants it, I would like to make this an annual event, as the Orchestra's way of saying Merry Christmas to everybody.

Medieval Christian Art Is Shown at Gallery

The Yule Spirit Is Reflected In Exhibition

By Katrina Van Hook

Thoughts of Christmas in connection with art inevitably bring one back to the achievements of past ages. Only in a few instances have artists in our era attempted successfully to express the joyful aspect of Christ's coming on earth. We have to turn back to the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries to find a Christian art that is thoroughly sincere and yet has a naturalism and an emphasis on the humanity of Christ to appeal to popular taste today.

This fact is well revealed in the exhibition at the National Gallery of Art installed in the cafeteria corridor. It includes original prints by Schongauer, Durer, Van Meckehem and anonymous French and Italian masters of the Renaissance depicting the Nativity, the Madonna and Child, the Flight into Egypt or the Angel of the Annunciation. The reproductions of these prints, which are being sold in large quantities during the Christmas season, proving their popularity, are hung side by side with the originals, thus providing a welcome opportunity for comparison. Although prints in black and white come off much better in reproduction than paintings, still much of the fine line quality is lost.

Not only these religious subjects are included but also landscapes, portraits and other secular themes by later masters such as Rembrandt, Watteuil, Meryon, Whistler, Daumier and Forain, of which the gallery sells reproductions in postcard form. Labels explain the techniques of print making involved.

Welcome Change

The National Gallery of Art unfortunately has so few exhibitions of this informative nature that this modest effort strikes us as especially valuable and stimulating.

Continuing its program of exhibitions dealing with the history and culture of the United States, the Library of Congress is now presenting a display commemorating the centenary of the entrance of Texas into the Union on December 29, 1845. Installed in two sections, one downstairs and the other on the second floor, are manuscripts, rare books, maps and other materia' from the library's collections. Although primarily historical, an exhibit of this type invariably includes illustrations. These, of course, are of varying artistic merit because the standard for their selection was documentary rather than aesthetic. Yet this instance proves once more that it is very difficult to draw a dividing line between the two.

Of definite artistic value are the large photographs of early missions in Spanish colonial style assembled by the Historic American Buildings Survey. A drawing of a window in one of these missions bearing sculpture by the Spaniard, Pedro Huizar, according to the accompanying label is considered "the finest single bit of Spanish colonial ornamentation in America in design and craftsmanship."

Drawings Effective

Adding greatly to the visual effectiveness is the group of drawings from the Index of American Design, lent by the National Gallery of Art. In these are depicted in facsimile realism handsome paneled doors, beds, chairs, china closets, cradles, made in Texas in the past. There are also political cartoons in crude color lithograph, scenic views and portraits chiefly of documentary interest.

Some of the early books contain illustrations to appeal to the art historian. One publication of 1554 dealing with Coronado's journey across Texas boasts a woodcut of a buffalo, generally believed to be the first picture of that animal in a printed book. In a biography of Padre Antonio Margil de Jesus, who went to Texas in 1716, one finds an engraving showing the missionary preaching to the Indians. Indians also figure in the entertaining drawings of George Catlin, the American painter.

Opening Today

Photographs of the oil and cotton industries and cattle ranching compiled by the Farm Security Administration bring the exhibit up to date. As it will continue through March 15 there will be ample time to peruse its extensive contents.

Since art activities tend to subside in the pre-Christmas season there are only two openings to report. At the Arts Club a joint exhibition by Theodora Kane and Phoebe Hyatt goes on view beginning today. Also this afternoon the National Gallery of Art places on display once more the familiar group of paintings on loan from the French government.

"ANGEL OF THE ANNUNCIATION" BY SCHONGAUER
. . . engraving now on view at National Gallery

Choral Society To Sing at Tree Ceremony

Ellis C. Varley will direct the Washington Cathedral Choir of men and boys in a Christmas concert at 8 p. m. today in the National Gallery of Art. The following program is announced: "Adeste Fidelis," "Hosannah to the Son of David" (Weelkes), "Jesus Lying in a Manger" (Philip James), "Pat-a-Pan" (old French), "To Bethlehem" (David Williams), "The Stork" (David Williams), "Noel de Thevet" (old French), "Lo How a Rose" (Praetorius), "The Shepherd Boy" (French carol), "I Hear Along Our Street" (Hugh McKinnon), "Still Grows the Evening" (Bohemian carol), "Balulalow" (Philip Heseltine), "Born Today" (Sweelinck), "Silent Night" (Gruber), "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear" (English carol).

POTTER

Louis A. Potter will conduct the Washington Choral Society at the annual ceremony of lighting the Christmas tree in Jackson Square tomorrow between 5 and 5:30 p. m. when President Truman will press the button for the official observance of Christmas Eve. Hymns and carols will be sung by the chorus, and the program will be broadcast over four major radio networks.

Rudolf Friml's musical comedy, "Katinka," will be presented by students of Armstrong High School on January 11, 15, 16 and 18.

Capt. William Santelmann, director of the United States Marine Band Orchestra, announces that the concert scheduled for Wednesday night of this week has been canceled. Band concerts will be given in Barracks Hall on Friday at 1 p. m. and Saturday at 2 p. m.

Franklin B. Charles will direct the Soldiers' Home Symphonette in two concerts on Thursday nd Saturday at 5:30 p. m. in Stanley Hall. The usual Tuesday concert will be omitted because of the Christmas holiday.

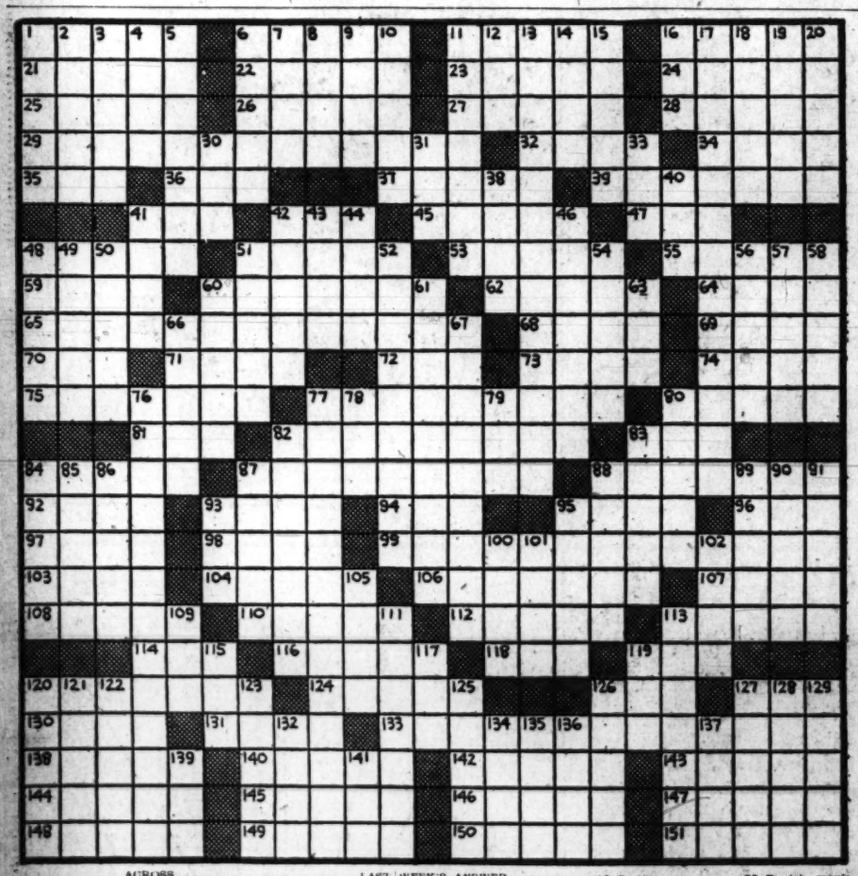
Darius Milhaud, distinguished French composer, who has been residing in California for several years, will be presented by the Elizabeth Sprague Coolidge Foundation in the Library of Congress on Friday night in a lecture-recital. He will speak on Brazilian music illustrating his remarks with phonograph recordings, after which he will play his new piano suite, "La Muse Menagere."

Tickets for the lecture-recital are being distributed at the Cappel concert bureau.

Robert Casadesus, distinguished French pianist, will give a recital under management of Dorothy Hodgkin Dorsey on Sunday afternoon, January 6, in Constitution Hall. Other attractions booked by Mrs. Dorsey for next month are the Don Cossack Chorus (Sergei Jarov, director) on Tuesday night, January 15, and Ezio Pinza, Metropolitan basso, on Sunday afternoon, January 20.

The National Lutheran Chorus, conducted by R. E. Snesrud, will give a concert of religious music on Monday evening, January 28, in Constitution Hall.

Radio Station WINX is offering to lovers of good music a monthly schedule of all their classical music programs, such as the Morning Symphony, the Philharmonic Hour, the Opera House, the Sunday Symphony and the Evening Symphony. Included in this attractively designed and illustrated schedule will be a daily listing of the compositions, composers, orchestras and solo artists so that the readers may ascertain at a glance what programs they wish to hear on any day of the month. A schedule will be mailed to you each month, if you will send your address on a postcard to Department H, Radio Station WINX, 8th and I sts. nw.



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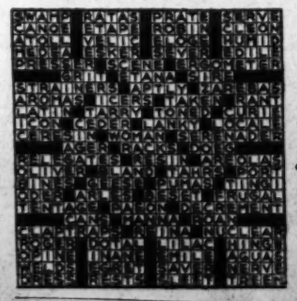

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30,000 Need Foster Homes, Says Child Unit

New York, Dec. 22 (AP).—At least 30,000 United States children are in need of foster homes, the Child Welfare League of America Inc. reports.

On the basis of a Nation-wide study, the league's board of directors has submitted a resolution to President Truman recommending a Federal department of welfare, with Cabinet status, to coordinate and strengthen the existing welfare, health and education services, currently scattered all over the Government domain.

Facilities Scarce

Lack of adequate foster care has led to increased immorality with the exploitation of youth even more prevalent than in wartime, the league reports.

There has been an enormous increase in the detention of children in jails, says Leonard W. Mayo, the league's president, for petty thievery, running away, sex offenses, crimes of violence.

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Santa Rode a Bomber Over Jap Prison Camp

Death—and Dessert—on Bougainville

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scattered Marine outposts watched and listened for signs of Japanese movement 40 yards away.

The men had been on Bougainville since November 1. Most fighting had stopped. Daylight patrols and occasional skirmishes with wandering Japs were all that remained of the 2-month-old invasion.

Marines, cheered by the word, "Army replacements in a day or so," and happy with the promise of a rest, could afford to laugh even at an earthquake.

There are no bold heroics to report. These were ordinary American fighting men, very tired and very grateful for soon-to-come relief. But, like ordinary men, they did things this day in a Christmas fashion—not quite conscious anything was different.

A day or so before a small bamboo chapel and altar, decorated with palm fronds, had been built so close to enemy lines that the Latin responses of a carbine-carrying altar boy must have puzzled nearby Japanese ears.

Protestant boys had volunteered for extra duty "tricks," taking over early morning patrols so Catholics could go to mass. The following day the Catholics did the same for them.

And when Father John F. White, chaplain of the Ninth Marine Regiment, who had sloughed three miles through muck to say his Christmas mass, looked up to speak to his red-eyed, heavy bearded listeners, he paused for a moment, obviously startled.

Later he told me: "I was frightened. Do you know, there was a strange Christ-like quality to those men's faces—white, intense and framed in beards. Faces of good men."

There was even a collection. A couple of realists, who wanted this Christmas to be as near "Stateside" as possible, hollowed out and passed a coconut shell. Money with combat troops is as rare as baths—but somehow $5.40 went into the "box"—for the poor.

Christmas dinner—the first hot food since the landing—actually took two days to serve, for only half the men could be released from the lines at a time. A Marine mess sergeant—in combat or otherwise—has to get fancy on Christmas. There even was dessert to follow the New Zealand mutton and fixin's—French pastry created with five-gallon cans of jam, a huge chunk of cheese and dough made from C-ration biscuits.

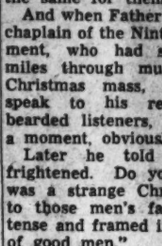
There were no gifts—no mail. But three days later all the Marines gave one huge Christmas present to the Army—Bougainville.

By John F. Gerrity.

They Also Serve—Who Only Push a Cart

ON the Western Front in Europe a year ago, Christmas was proclaimed by a thunder of artillery mingled with the pealing of church bells.

But an even more startling thing was the way in which the spirit of good will, so rampant between Yank and civilian in France, ended once you crossed the German frontier. For a GI to have said "Merry Christmas!" to a German would have cost him an Army fine of $65.



FOLLIARD

I have often wondered what a disciplinarian would have done had he seen something that happened in the little German town of Niedaltorf, just in front of the Siegfried Line and opposite Lorraine. The incident involved an overburdened German woman, her little girl, and two Good Samaritans in American uniforms.

Niedaltorf looked much like the French towns we had passed through, except that its memorial to the war dead of 1914-18 bore such names as Hermann and Johann whereas those in Lorraine bore Pierre and Jacques. The town had been given a terrible aerial pounding, and many of its buildings were a shambles.

A few German families—old men, women and children—were moving back into what was left of their homes, bringing their geese, cows and bedding. We drove up, Col. Chet Shore and I, just in time to witness the little drama.

A middle-aged hausfrau and her daughter, a flaxen-haired child about 9, were approaching a bridge and pushing a cart on which was piled a mattress, trunk, family portraits, cooking utensils and the proverbial kitchen stove. They were having a hard time of it as they tried to push the cart over the snow.

Two American soldiers, members of a reconnaissance outfit, looked on for a moment and then turned away—probably remembering General Ike's ban on fraternization. They continued trying to avert their eyes, but it wouldn't work. Suddenly, without a word to each other, they got behind the cart and began pushing it across the bridge and up to a bombed-out home.

Then they walked away, heedless of the woman's "Dankeschoen."

On the way up, I had spent the night at the airdrome of the 354th Fighter Group of Ninth Air Force, located 15 miles from Nancy. The Germans came over that night and bombed and strafed the field while I was trying to sleep in a peasant's hut. Far more thrilling, though, was the story of what Americans were doing to make this Noel merry for the pinch-faced French youngsters.

Helen Poulos told me about it. An attractive, dark-eyed brunette, whose home is here at 4403 14th st. nw., she then was director of the Red Cross Field Club at Rosieres-en-Haye. This was the village in which the 354th Fighter Group was located, which Americans called "Rosie-in-the-Hay."

The fliers and ground crews were planning an all-out Santa Claus role for French youngsters. For weeks they had been making toys and saving chocolate bars and chewing gum. They had fashioned tin cans into stars such as the Wise Men saw. Pine cones had been painted in myriad colors for the Christmas trees and plans were all complete to have the children in for Christmas mess. Then they would join with the Yanks in singing carols about the Child that was wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger nearly 2000 years before.

The Luftwaffe spoiled that part of it. In their furious effort to keep the Mustangs and Thunderbolts away from the Battle of the Bulge, raging farther north, the Germans were bombing and strafing every Allied air field in that region. Hence it was too dangerous to have the boys and girls visit the camp on Christmas Day.

However, Red Cross Director Poulos and her GI Santas visited every village—and they say that the delighted cries of "Merci!" could almost be heard in Paris, 300 kilometers away.

—By Edward T. Folliard.

CAPITAL'S HELEN POULOS
. . . you could hear kids in Paris

POST'S JOHN F. GERRITY
. . . that dinner was something

Ja, Frau Reul—War Does Strange Things

MANY a veteran this Christmas Eve may turn away from family festivities to surrender to his emotions—or maybe say a silent prayer, as he used to in that slit trench where he was a year ago.

I was in a small village in Belgium. Our infantry division, part of headquarters, had taken over a small house—one that belonged to elderly Frau Reul, a Belgian citizen who spoke only German. Her husband had been conscripted into the German army. Her two pretty daughters were slave laborers in Germany.

When a lot of battle-dirty Yanks moved in, Frau Reul was frightened. We took over everything but the kitchen. She looked at her clean, varnished floors and knew what would happen. But she tried to smile, trembling, and helped carry in our barracks bags.

"Maybe she can cook," someone cracked—and Frau Reul got herself a job. At her first meal she got her first democratic shock. We insisted she eat with us. Nervously, she finally did.

The next day we got coal and Frau Reul's home was comfortable for the first time that winter. Her spirits thawed out, too. Of those of us who could speak German she asked all about America, how we lived, played, worked. Our direct answers and humor pleased her immensely. Finally she asked, did we celebrate Christmas, too? With a tree—and carols? A Catholic, she was pleased with all the answers.

Christmas Eve Frau Reul had a delicious dinner waiting for us—and, in the corner, a tiny decorated Christmas tree. Later, after a huge community dish-washing job, we all gathered around the piano, first singing English carols and finally, "Stille Nacht, Heilige Nacht."

Outside the night sky flashed as cannon thundered. What strange things, it ran through my mind, can happen in war. Christmas Eve and Yanks singing—German carols.

—By Capt. J. W. Musick.

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Extra Rackets Will Fill The Bill for Clare Luce, But Give Leon a Dancer

By Marie McNair

WHAT Santa Claus SHOULD bring just a few of our best known figures in the official and nonofficial world:

To Secretary of the Treasury Fred Vinson—a couple of packs of Kem-cards, the kind that NEVER wear out, for his bridge sessions. To Roberta, his wife—at least two extra engagement books to put down all the parties to which she is asked.

To Clare Boothe Luce and Prince Guido Pignatelli, who play tennis winter and summer, some extra rackets.

To Mrs. Lewis Schwellenbach, wife of the Secretary of Labor—a trip to Ireland, her native land.

To Mme. de Bianchi, wife of the Portuguese Ambassador—a few more Paris hats.

To Representative Fritz Lanham—some new magician's gadgets with which to baffle his audiences.

To Leon Henderson—SOMEBODY who has the stamina to dance every dance.

To Mrs. Joseph O'Mahoney—some new Spanish lesson recordings.

To Montgomery Blair—just out of the Army—space for an office and a new set of doctor's instruments.

To Col. Pendleton Hogan—time to finish his newest book, a religious novel.

And to Mrs. Justin Miller—time to finish her first book, which she's been working on for almost three years.

To Jimmie Parks—a special train to get him to and from New York at least three times a week.

To Mrs. Robert Guggenheim—a 48-hour day to go to all the parties she's invited to.

To Joanie McKenna—an opportunity to sing at Carnegie Hall.

To Mrs. Walter Wyatt—two new wings to her house to make room for all her friends.

To Mrs. Franklin Babcock—some new jokes.

To Drew and Bob Dudley, two of the most popular bachelors in town—a few extra "white ties."

To Mrs. Cordell Hull, Mrs. Arthur Vandenberg, Mrs. Martin Vogel, Mrs. Tomas Cajigas, Miss Vera Bloom, Mrs. Emil Hurja—everything nice!

And to YOU—a Merry, Merry, Christmas.

AND now, with the assistance of some of our best known hostesses, come the jury awards for the year.

Most elegant — Mrs. Joseph Davies.

Best sense of humor—Mrs. Alf Helberg.

Most chic—Mrs. Francis Whitten.

Best dressed—Mme. Bonnet, Mrs. Kent Legare, Mrs. Virgil Peterson, Mrs. Patrick J. Hurley, Senora de Campuzano (to mention but a few).

Cutest blonde—Mrs. Edward Treglown.

Prettiest red hair—Mrs. Laurison Hardin, jr.

Best figure—Mrs. Morris Cafritz.

Shyest—Mrs. Robert H. Jackson.

Fanciest hats—Mrs. Millard Tydings.

Most genuine—Mrs. Claude Pepper.

Most personality—Mme. Maria Martins.

Loveliest complexion — Mrs. Brien McMahon.

Most Aristocratic—Mrs. Robert Low Bacon.

Miss Ann Briggs Here for Holidays

Miss Ann Elizabeth Briggs, a junior at Sweet Briar College, has arrived to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Briggs. With Miss Briggs as her house guest is Miss Elizabeth Jansma of Amsterdam, Holland, also a student at Sweet Briar.

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Diplomat Gives Bride Away In Church Rites

Minister Hugues Le Gallais from Luxembourg gave Miss Elizabeth Dorothy Le Gallais, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Le Gallais, Victoria, B. C., Canada, in marriage yesterday afternoon when she became the bride of John Denis Walsh, son of Mrs. Ada Walsh, London, England.

The altar of Washington Cathedral was decorated with white gladioli and nuptial vows were read by Canon Theodore O. Wedel.

Victoria Posies Carried

The bride was attired in a draped gown of turquoise crepe and carried a bouquet of cream color roses with streamers.

Miss Shirley Warner, Santa Barbara, Calif., was maid of honor in a fuchsia crepe. She carried Victoria posies. Also attending the bride was Miss Margery Taylor, who was costumed in lavender crepe and carried Victoria posies.

Lawrence Dover was best man and Williiam Penn Taylor was the usher.

Engaged In War Work

Mrs. Walsh was educated at St. Michael's School, B. C., Canada, and lived in England the following two years. She has been engaged in war work in Washington for the past three years.

The bridegroom was graduated from Oundle School, Oundle, Northants, England.

The Walshes are taking a wedding trip by boat to Williamsburg, Va., and will live at 4317 Forrest lane, Washington, when they return.

Rossback—McDuff

The chapel of the First Methodist Church, Baltimore, Md., was the setting yesterday noon when Miss Louisa Kathryn McDuff, daughter of Mrs. Alvie L. McDuff and the late Mr. McDuff, Tuscaloosa, Ala. and Washington, became the bride of Ernest Jerry Rossback, son of Mrs. G. A. Rossback, and the late Mr. Rossback, Spokane, Wash. The Rev. S. Gould officiated.

A gold garbardine dressmaker suit was worn by the bride, who chose brown accessories and a corsage of brown orchids.

Mrs. Rossback was graduated from University of Alabama, where she was a member of Delta Zeta and Kappa Deta Phi. She is an attorney in the legal division, Treasury Department. Mr. Rossback was graduated from University of Illinois. He was engaged in mining machinery business, Paris, France, and worked on the thrid set of locks in the Panama Canal. He has been with lend lease and Foreign Economic Administration and now is with the Office of International Trade Operations, Department fo Commerce.

The couple will live at 2010 Kalorama rd. nw.

Anna Davenport Chooses Jan. 6

Miss Anna Mary Davenport, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David H. Davenport, this city, has chosen January 6 for her marriage to Edgar H. Farris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Farris, Great Cacapon, W. Va.

Mr. Farris recently returned from 2½ years with the Army in the European theater of operations.

Harris & Ewing

"And If You're Very, Very Good . . ." winks ole' St. Nick to these two attentive listeners who hear him promise to return tomorrow night with sugar and spice and everything nice and all that their hearts' desire. At right is Betsy Ann Brewster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foss Brewster and granddaughter of Senator and Mrs. Owen Brewster. Shyly fingering Santa's fur-trimmed cuff is little Lynn Barrett, daughter of Lieut. Ross Barrett, USNR, and Mrs. Barrett.

Elkins' Debut Most Festive On Schedule

HIGHLIGHT of the week was the dinner-dance debut of Miss Katherine Elkins, daughter of former Senator and Mrs. Davis Elkins, Thursday evening at the Mayflower.

Dowagers, dignitaries and debutantes were in the company of 400 or more guests. The debutante in ivory brocade, wore a diamond bowknot necklace and earrings which had been her grandmother's, the late Mrs. Stephen B. Elkins, and a bracelet of pink camellias flown from California. Below are pictures of some of the young—some not so young—guests.

Debutante Wears Apricot Lace for Fete

Parents Present Ann Distler at Tea

IN a lovely frock of apricot lace and carrying an old-fashioned bouquet of white camellias, Miss Ann Distler stepped out yesterday to make her bow to society at a tea with dancing at the Sulgrave Club.

The debutante stood with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Distler, in a Christmas setting of white and red with tall lighted Christmas trees standing as sentinels at the entrance to the ballroom.

Mrs. Distler wore a taupe crepe gown heavily embroidered in steel beads, made with a high neck, brief sleeves and long matching gloves. A purple orchid was fastened to her shoulder. Her daughter's gown was very full, had a becoming square neck and tiny cap sleeves.

In the oval drawing room where guests greeted the debutante and her parents, palms and ferns formed a background for the red poinsettias banked across the mantel. And hundreds of bouquets of various flowers which had been sent to the debutante stemmed from tall vases everywhere.

Tall tapers glowed on the long buffet table which sparkled with crystal and had for additional decoration a huge centerpiece of scarlet poinsettias.

TAKING their turn at the tea table were Mrs. Robert V. Fleming, Mrs. John Lewis Smith, Mrs. Robert Ash, Mrs. J. Clifford Folger, Mrs. Hendrick McKenna, Mrs. William Scully, Mrs. Donald McKnew, Mrs. O. Ray Luhring and Mrs. Francis D. Thomas.

Also Mrs. R. Emmet Bradley, Mrs. Distler's sister from Baltimore, and from the same city, Miss Charlotte Beehler and Mrs. John Cyrus Distler. Then there were Mrs. Fred Britten, Mrs. Clarence Dodge, Mrs. Emil Hurja, Mrs. Pinckney W. Love, Mrs. Walter Curley, Pittsburgh; Mrs. William A. Morgan, Mrs. John F. Crosby, New York and Spring Lake, N. J.; Mrs. Thilman Hendrick, Mrs. Leo Brison Norris, Mrs. William D. Byron, Mrs. Wells March and Mrs. A. M. Nevius.

Miss Distler—Sunny to her friends—had as her assistants only her closest friends, who stayed on to be joined by their best beaux for dinner at the Chevy Chase Club. In the group were the Misses Elaine Crosby, New York and Spring Lake; Nancy Thomas, Marye Thomas, Susan McKnew, Anne Brugh, Hagerstown, Md.; Phoebe Dupont, Wilmington, Del.; Edith G. McClane, New York; Joan Exnicios, Betty Coleman, Baltimore; Bettie Ketrick, Jamaica; Katherine Elkins and Marian Moreell.

Town Talk—

Shadows of Dead Men Watch Us Lift Noses From Grindstone in Forgetfulness

By Eva Hinton

LAST week I received an anonymous communication. It is too bad that the sender preferred not to back up his thought with his signature, because it is a thought that has occurred to many of us since the end of the war. I don't know why, but I have a hunch that the sender is a man, probably because women are usually a little more understanding.

The communication consists of typewritten verses quoted from Alfred Noyes' very moving poem, "A Victory Dance", plus a clipping from this column describing a recent "victory ball". The verses go like this:

I

"The cymbals crash
And the dancers walk
With long silk stockings
And arms of chalk,
Butterfly skirts,
And white breasts bare.
And shadows of dead men
Watching them there.

II

Shadows of dead men
Stand by the wall
Watching the fun
Of the Victory Ball.
They do not reproach
Because they know
If they're forgotten
It's better so.

III

'What did you think
We should find,' said a shade,
'When the last shot echoed
And peace was made?'
'Christ!' laughed the fleshless
Jaws of his friend,
'I thought they'd be praying
For worlds to mend!'

IV

'Pish,' said a statesman
Standing near,
'I'm glad they can busy
Their thoughts elsewhere.
We mustn't reproach 'em
They're young, you see.'
'Ah,' said the dead men,
'So were we!'

V

Victory, victory.
On with the dance!
Back to the jungle
The new beasts prance.

See how the dead men
Grin by the wall
Watching the fun
Of the Victory Ball."

IF THOSE very same "dead men who grin by the wall" had been spared they would, almost certainly, join in all the gayety which came their way. I don't believe that those who gave their lives for our peace and freedom would resent any gayety which we may have in our hearts, or quarrel with that God-given human trait which lets us rebound from sorrow.

What they must bitterly and cruelly resent is the forgetfulness of mind and hand which is causing us this very day to let the fruits and OBLIGATIONS of their dearly bought victory slip away.

At this very moment there are between 60 and 65 ships lying idle at the docks, ships which should be taking to starving Europe the amounts of wheat and coal which we have pledged our national word to provide. The ships are idle for lack of crews who are taking a very long Christmas and New Year's vacation.

This letting things collapse in a heap while we have a good time or pursue our own puny, personal interests is certainly not confined to ships' crews but extends to every group of society.

Even Congress, on which the life of this country depends, seems to be wasting time (precious time, the one thing which if lost can never be replaced) trying to pin something wrong in the past on the other fellow instead of trying to do something RIGHT in the present and for the future.

So, whether we have gayety or sorrow in our hearts, whether we go to parties and victory balls or whether we stay at home and grieve, let's keep our noses to the grindstone. For if we take them away we will soon smell something very rotten—and it won't be "in the State of Denmark!"

It'll Be a White—and Civilian—Holiday for 'Shangri-La' Wac

By Inez Robb

New York, Dec. 22 (INS).—This is going to be a white Christmas at the family home in the picture-card village of Owego, N. Y., for Corpl. Margaret (Shangri - La) Hastings.

Corpl. Hastings

The petite and pretty Wac corporal, temporarily stationed at Mitchell Field, Long Island, expected to be out of the Army today.

Corporal Hastings, heroine of one of the war's most extraordinary adventures, will go directly to Owego after she is mustered out. She will spend Christmas there with her father, Patrick Hastings, and her two sisters, Mrs. John Callahan and Mrs. John Steele.

It will be a real family reunion for the blue-eyed girl who survived a New Guinea plane crash in which 21 were killed. She lived for 47 days in the wilderness until she and two other survivors were snatched to safety in an unprecedented glider operation.

Fully Recovered From Injuries

She has already mailed Christmas packages to the two men with whom she shared perils and hardships. The last time she heard from T/Sergt. Kenneth Decker, Kelso, Wash., seriously injured in the crash, he was at long last out of the hospital and expected soon to be out of the Army.

"As for Lieut. John S. McCollom," Corporal Hastings said, "I saw him recently in San Francisco, where I was on a victory bond tour. He looked fine."

Corporal Hasttings is fully recovered from painful injuries she suffered in the crash and gangrene which developed. Her pink-and-white Irish complexion has lost the last trace of atabrine yellow.

"If I could really play Santa Claus this Christmas," the corporal said, "I would like to dump a sleigh full of presents in Shangri-La for the natives who were so wonderfully kind to us."

The natives never before had seen white persons. Corporal Hastings doesn't regret that she refused to become their queen when they offered her a crown. She has no post-army plans except to "get to a good warm climate for a vacation maybe Bermuda."

Won't Live in Owego

Further than that, she hasn't yet made up her mind what she'll do in the postwar world. Maybe she'll take advantage of the GI bill of rights, and go back to school.

She only knows she wont go back to Owego to live permanently. She's had a taste of the great, big world and she likes it. She isn't even decided whether she'll go on with her old career as a business secretary.

Katherine Elkins and brother, Davis, Jr. *Lieut. H. Negley, Maj. Cy Manierre, Marion Norris, Charles Gibson; Nina Lunn, Lieut. E. Owens (circle)* *Mary J. Moran, Davis Elkins* *Senator David I. Walsh, Maureen Elkins*

Mary Haworth's Mail

Wife Tries Valiantly to Accommodate Herself To Brilliant, Charming, Handsome Husband's Frankly Polygamous Interest in Other Women

DEAR MARY HAWORTH: I was the envy of all my friends when I married my handsome, charming husband, who had just graduated from medical college with highest honors. Our son was born during the second year of marriage. He was just taking his first steps when I found a filmy scented handkerchief in my husband's car.

Later, the mother of the girl called me to ask me to keep my husband away from her daughter. The war took him away from her; and I left my child in the care of my mother and took a job. I wrote to my husband faithfully; sent pictures and anecdotes of the baby. My husband returned before the war was over. There were no details given.

The Army forwarded his mail and there were letters from women—"missing you, longing to see you" letters—from just about every place he had been. Women were a part of the Army life of all his colleagues, I was told. Officers were sought after and invited to social functions. A man had the choice of staying at the barracks or cocktails in a cozy room with a beautiful woman. I understand the officers' barracks were empty most evenings when the men were free to leave.

He Tells Her All Men Chase

ALL right, I accept that. War is war. But what of the future? He will make me no promises and even if he did, I doubt if I would believe him. He says that all virile men are woman chasers. He says the drive of nature is stronger than any restraints society can apply. He says even if the punishment were death, men, married or otherwise, would still pursue women. He says the only men who are faithful to their wives are those who are dominated by them. He cites case after case and I must admit the examples are most discouraging.

He loves me, will support me handsomely, will grant me all the freedom I want; but he will not give up other women. Now, shall I deny my 4-year-old son the father he adores and take a chance on another man who would, in all probability, be a chaser, too? I am still young and attractive, love life and fun; and I am a stimulating companion to any man.

I am afraid if I married again, I would choose another brilliant, charming man who would fall into the pattern made for such men. Women go after them. I never could live with a mediocre male. Since I am realistic enough to know that a woman can't eat her cake and have it too, I am asking your advice. S. C.

Psychiatry Has Labels for Him

DEAR S. C.: Your husband is one of those persons of whom an authority on behavior once said, "The kind who knows all the answers—and doesn't know anything." To briefly examine his chanticleer sex philosophy: He tells you all virile men are woman chasers. In so saying, he overlooks the axiom, "Birds of a feather flock together,"—which explains the extravagant error of his observation.

The truth is, he draws his conclusion from the example of his own kind; and renders you, poor ninny, speechless with dismay by pointing in self justification to those males amongst his cronies who exercise hardly more control over their libidinous impulses than does the chanticleer mentioned above. Psychiatry has two labels for men of his type—sexual athlete and impatient debauchee. Neither of which corresponds to the overall definition of virile man, which is: masterful, forceful, having the qualities of maturity.

The hallmark of potent—or powerful mature—personality is the deliberately fostered ability to conform to righteous standards of behavior for everybody's sake. Whereas the married philanderer is simply the slave of a corrupt imagination. So don't be deceived that your husband is a superman.

It Seems Army Found Him Out

AS FOR your thought that you couldn't live with a mediocre male, that's just what you are doing now,—living with a man whose character, if reduced to substance, would look and smell like Limburger cheese. Apparently the Army found him out at his subnormal worth as a man, and let him go in self defense.

Now, if you have an incurable taste for men of his type, I suppose there's no escape from the ignoble status of harem favorite. But don't use your son as a shield for your weakness if you accept that fate. A woman of high moral principles, great self respect and brains to match would wash her hands of this situation, for the child's sake. Your husband is no model for a son to venerate, and you can't do the mothering job you should, while preoccupied with his degenerate pace. M. H.

Mary Haworth counsels through her column, not by mail or personal interview. Write her in care of The Post.

Underwood & Underwood

For the holidays, Phyllis Jean Mattingly has her blond locks waved simply and caught in the back with a black bow sparkling with sequins. She is a senior at McKinley High School and is vice president of the Girl Reserves

Underwood & Underwood

A smoothly coiled knot at the nape, with top adornment of pearls, connote youth and sophistication for one in the Teeming Twenties, in this case Mrs. Julie Melham. Mrs. Robert Hannegan, inset, likes her gray hair natural.

Blackstone

The "Atomic Coiffure" might be the name given the hair-do of titian-haired Rosemary McMahon. She's the wife of the Senator from Connecticut. She and her husband and daughter are spending Christmas there

Your Christmas Coiffure Should Remember Your Hat!

There's a Holiday Hair-Do for Every Type

By Martha Ellyn

TRIM the tree, wrap the presents, hang the mistletoe; but don't forget that all-important person—You. You'll want to look your best for holiday festivities. There's nothing that will give a woman more lift after pre-Christmas duties are finished than to look in the mirror and see a well-groomed head nodding back in approval.

Especially for holiday festivities will hair ornamentation be in evidence. It won't be necessary to have your hair made platinum and styled and accented with a camellia pink braid and a pendant circlet of baguette and emerald-cut diamonds to be ready for Christmas parties. Nor will you have to resort to the new trend of black and white braids as dramatic contrast against Titian hair shining with pearls. One hair stylist recently created a headdress of a Mediterranean-blue braid, scattered with diamond stars, worn against high-piled platinum hair. Another of his creations, which in this writer's opinion, capped the climax, was a braided halo of rainbow colors. One can go festive to celebrate the return of our heroes without going ridiculous.

"Hair Is Finest Ornament"

Washington femmes will have their locks done up in becoming coiffures for Christmas if the ones we present today are indicative. It's a pretty picture, the teen-ager, the thrilling twenties, the sophisticated thirties, and the gracious lady, whose top loveliness is shown. It is such loveliness that has caused poets to rhapsodize about the beauty of women's tresses. Even straight-laced Martin Luther remarked, "The hair is the finest ornament women have."

But alas, women's locks do not always delight the eye. Some women think that as long as the front hair is neatly arranged that the back hair may straggle where it wants. And an ostrich tip, snood, bunch of posies and other ornamentation will not offset unkempt hair.

If you want to be the cynosure of eyes at Christmas parties, make sure that the style of hairdo you wear is not only becoming but is in line with your hat, as well as your jewels, flowers, feathers and furs. American milliners and hairdressers have been working together to create hairdos that go up or down, as the occasion or whim arises.

Such an outstanding hair stylist as Mr. Leon, style director, American Hair Design Institute of New York, does not believe in dressing in a vaccum. Mr. Leon thinks that hair arrangement should be coordinated with basic fashion trends, harmonizing with millinery designs and blending perfectly with whatever hair accessories are used.

Hair Accessories Vary

Hair accessories are of endless variety. Mr. Leon suggests that the hair, or affixing a cluster of artificial flowers without any preconceived design. A smart hair ornament—used with imagination and artistry—can electrify an even commonplace hairdo. In order that the accessory fit into the basic pattern a coiffure should be planned in advance with the particular ornament to be used, in mind."

The hair accessories that Mr. Leon discussed are of endless variety. For some time they have been advocating the use of them to dramatize the hair—jewels, braids, feathers, bows, flowers, even bandannas.

Jane Rodgers Lowe Engaged To Lieut. Thurman Arnold, Jr.

MISS JANE RODGERS LOWE
. . . Socialite affianced to Navy man

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Alley, Jericho, Long Island, N. Y., announced the engagement of Mrs. Alley's daughter, Miss Jane Rodgers Lowe, to Lieut. Thurman Wesley Arnold, jr., USNR, son of Judge and Mrs. Thurman W. Arnold, Washington.

Miss Lowe is the daughter of Col. Percy Stuart Lowe, USA, granddaughter of the late Col. and Mrs. Harrison Hall, and a great-granddaughter of Gen. John I. Rodgers, Chief of Artillery, USA, in 1898, and Mrs. Rodgers. She is a direct descendant of Richard Hall, who came to America with Leonard Calvert in the seventeenth century to settle in Maryland; of the Rev. Dr. John Ewing, provost of the University of Pennsylvania and vice president of the American Philosophical Society, and of Capt. Jonathan Phillips, one of the founders of the Society of the Cincinnati.

The bride-elect attended Brearley School, New York, and was graduated from Miss Walker's School, Simsbury, Conn. She is a junior at Smith College. Miss Lowe made her debut in 1943 at the Junior Assemblies, New York, and is a provisional member of the New York Junior League.

Lieutenant Arnold attended Hamden School and was graduated from Hotchkiss School and from Yale University, class of 1941. Immediately after graduation he joined the United States Naval Reserve and served in the Caribbean for 18 months and in England for two years.

The prospective bridegroom is grandson of the late Constantine Peter Arnold and Mrs. Arnold, Laramie, Wyo., and of the late Judge and Mrs. George Longan, Sedalia, Mo.

Lieutenant Arnold's father was a professor of law at Yale Law School and later Assistant Attorney General, United States Circuit Court of Appeals, Washington. He recently resigned to enter private law practice here.

Scouts Combine Service, Gaiety In Yule Plans

Girl Scouts in the District and Montgomery County are combining good works with good times this holiday. They'll carol for servicemen at Walter Reed and Fort Belvoir hospitals and not only are they making articles for hospitalized servicemen, but collecting food and clothing for destitute Europeans. That isn't all. They are also renovating and making clothes, toys and other gifts for needy in their immediate neighborhoods.

Many Girl Scouts made holiday tray favors and gaily decorated matchboxes for servicemen's trays, as well as more than 500 miniature corsages of pine, spruce or cedar, bells and ribbons.

Troop 11 started the holiday party rush by providing 160 homemade cupcakes and ice cream for a party at the Naval Medical Center. They provided 50 individually potted narcissus bulbs to cheer the men. Each month Brownie Troop 123 decorates an old instrument cart that is wheeled among servicemen.

Girl Scouts of Montgomery West are limiting their own cookies so as to send more to the Norwegian children. Also, they are initiating a drive to collect canned foods to be sent to Europe under auspices of UNRRA.

Chevy Chase Club Schedules Three Events

The calendar of the Woman's Club of Chevy Chase, Md., assumes a festive note this week.

Spanish section will have Christmas songs and customs of Latin America as its theme at a meeting Thursday, 11:15 a. m., in the Connecticut ave. clubhouse. Mrs. Dwight P. Windenburg will preside.

An informal luncheon will follow. Hostesses will be Mrs. Robert H. Spidel, Mrs. V. N. Stankoff and Mrs. Edwin A. Noyes.

Junior Dance Club will meet Saturday from 9 p. m. until midnight. Guest cards may be secured from Mrs. W. H. Larrimer.

Social Section has announced a New Year's Eve party and reservations are being received by Mrs. Gill, EM. 8302 and Mrs. Otis Johnson, WO. 3024.

Mr., Mrs. Estes Entertain Today

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Estes have issued invitations to a cocktail party to be given from 5 to 7 today at their apartment on Connecticut ave.

The guest list includes: Capt. and Mrs. Wells Thompson of Newport, Comdr. and Mrs. Jack Bowling, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. McGrath, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Seely Jones, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Straud, Capt. and Mrs. Milton Brush, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gerber, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fletcher, Capt. and Mrs. Andrew Anderson, Mrs. A. C. Burrows, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. James Foran, Maj. and Mrs. J. Garfield Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Foster, Col. and Mrs. J. C. Cosgrove, jr., Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Willett, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wood, Maj. and Mrs. Harold B. Applegate, Mrs. Carolin B. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. William Dorsey, Mr. and Mrs. John Bartow, Mrs. Irma Pick, Miss Malvin Sykes, Miss Agnes McMann, Frank Ronan, Beaumont Colburn, and Arthur Merritt.

Home for Holidays

Home from Wilson College Chambersburg, Pa., for the Christmas recess are Miss Anne Brierley daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Daniel S. Brierley, and Miss Bernice Braskamp, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Bernard Braskamp.

Open Annapolis Exhibit; Plan Holiday Festivities

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 22.—Official opening of the portrait exhibit of famed naval figures, painted by six Navy combat artists, was held Monday night at the Naval Academy Museum. Vice Admiral Aubrey W. Fitch, superintendent; Mrs. Fitch, officers and instructors of the Naval Academy and their wives attended. The exhibition will be open to the public through December 31.

Capt. Theodore R. Wirth, USN, chief of staff at the Naval Academy, has been awarded the Purple Heart and the Navy unit commendation for service on the cruiser Portland.

Plan Holiday Parties

Annapolis, always enthusiastic over the observance of Christmas traditions and customs, will outdo itself this first peacetime Yuletide with a round of holiday eggnog parties, dances and dinners that will keep the various groups who make up local society busy until well after New Year's Day.

The holiday dance for midshipmen of St. Mary's Parish was held December 15 in the auditorium of St. Mary's School. The Rev. Francis X. Murphy, CSSR, was in charge. Couples danced to music played by the Naval Academy Band. Refreshments were served.

The Annapolis Cotillion held its Christmas dance on Thursday at Carvel Hall with juniors at 8 p. m., seniors at 9:30 p. m.

Christmas cheer for the men at the United States Naval Hospital here included a visit from Santa Thursday in the recreation room of the hospital. This visit was sponsored by the Red Cross and, like the Christmas visits of other organizations to these boys earlier in the week, was under the supervision of the Gray Ladies.

Outstanding in the whirl of recent parties was that held Saturday afternoon of last week by Lieut. Comdr. Roscoe C. Rowe, who retired after 43 years' service in the Navy, and Mrs. Rowe at their home.

Mrs. R. P. Harbold, daughter of Commander and Mrs. Rowe, and wife of Lieutenant Commander Harbold, assisted in receiving. Commander Hilary C. Rowe, USN, who has been serving in the Southwest Pacific, and Lieut. Roscoe C. Rowe, jr., AUS, who has just returned after three years in France, were present with their wives.

Semmes Walsh Home

Semmes Walsh, member of the class of 1946 at Yale University, is at home for the Christmas season. He was one of seven students at Yale recently elected to the Whiffenpoofs, honorary undergraduate singing group.

Mrs. Edith Bull Day, daughter of Comdr. Archibald Stirling, USN (ret.) and Mrs. Stirling, formerly of Annapolis, was married early this month in Reno, Nev., to F. Bartholomay Felke, Newport, R. I., son of Frazier Felke, Newport and New York. Commander and Mrs. Stirling are spending this winter in Newport.

Lieut. (j. g.) Robert Gray Bagby, USN, Mrs. Bagby and their baby daughter, Susan, New London, Conn., are visiting Dr. and Mrs. Charles V. O. Terwilliger. Lieutenant Bagby is the son of Mrs. Terwilliger.

Mrs. Isaac C. Kidd, widow of Admiral Kidd, USN, has returned to her home here from Cleveland, Ohio, where she was called because of the illness and death of her mother, Mrs. Quartus A. Gillmore.

Announce Son's Birth

Ensign Joseph Edward Snyder, jr., USN, and Mrs. Snyder have announced the recent birth of a son, Joseph Edward Snyder 3d, at the Naval Hospital here. The baby is a grandson of the Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Edward Snyder, sr. Ensign Snyder is stationed on the USS Pennsylvania. Mrs. Snyder has been staying with his parents.

A Christmas dance for returning veterans will be held in the parish hall at Owensville December 26. An orchestra from Annapolis has been engaged and refreshments will be served.

Harris & Ewing

A HOME CEREMONY united Miss Christian Leigh Wells, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Chester Wells, in marriage with Joseph Edward Ralph, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Ralph, Washington, last Saturday. Commodore White, USN, performed the 3:15 p.m. rites. After a honeymoon at Sea Island, Ga., the Ralphs will live in the Cathedral Mansions, Washington

Mrs. Ficklen Gives Luncheon For Debutante

An important date on the debutante schedule yesterday was the luncheon which Mrs. Samuel P. Ficklen gave in honor of two debs, Miss Jocelyn A. Freer and Miss Grace Roberts.

The party took place at the Carlton. Guests included Senorita Argentina Copello, the Misses Betty and Caroline Warner, Ann Rogers Devereux, Jane Lingo, Katherine Elkins, Hope Erwin, Patricia Marbury, Margery Teal, Ann Gillespie, Edwina Wadden, Daviette Sicklen, Eleanora Henius, Annette Roberts and Estella del Rio.

Also present were the Misses Bhagwati and Krishna Bajpai, Miss Mary Allen and Miss Florence Montfort, Mrs. Robert E. Freer, Mrs. William Roberts and Mrs. Francis W. Hill, jr.

Fowlers Are Hosts At Cocktail Party

Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Fowler and their daughter, Miss Jane Fowler, gave a cocktail party last night at their apartment in the Wardman Park Hotel. Honor guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fowler's daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Ashton Laidlaw, who are visiting here from Piedmont, Calif., with their little son, Walter. About a hundred guests were present.

This Week's Club Calendar

TODAY

YWCA—All-association Christmas program and open house, 4:30, Barker Hall.
Wanderbirds Riding Club—Wheaton, Northwest Branch, Four Corners, 10:10 a. m. bus, Chevy Chase Circle.

TOMORROW

YWCA—Employed girls—USO Christmas Eve supper, 5:30 p. m., YWCA.

TUESDAY

YWCA—Open house.
American Legion Auxiliary, Fort Dupont Unit No. 86—Christmas party for D. C. Home for Aged, 7:30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

YWCA—Kamp Kahlert Christmas tea, 4 p. m., fourth floor. Employed girls' supper, 6:15 p. m.

THURSDAY

YWCA—All-States Club supper, 6 p. m.
Twentieth Century Club—Executive board meeting, 11 a. m., YWCA.
AAUW, D. C. Branch—Morning book review group meeting, 11 a. m.; lounge. Program committee club dinner, 6 p. m., private dining room.

FRIDAY

Cardoza Alumni Association—Meeting, YWCA Annex, 1719 13th st. nw.
Sweet Briar Alumnae Club—Sweet Briar Day tea, 4:30 p. m., Washington Club, 1701 K st. nw.; Dr. Meta Glass, guest speaker.
YWCA—Christmas formal, 8 p. m., YWCA.
AAUW, D. C. Branch—Duplicate contract bridge, 7:45 p. m., lounge.

SATURDAY

Western College Alumnae Association—Meeting, 4 p. m., Women's City Club, 1733 I st. nw.
AAUW, D. C. Branch—[illegible] group meeting.

Mrs. Griggs, Comdr. Henry Are Married

The marriage or Mrs. Margaret Trowbridge Griggs and Comdr. Barklie Henry, USNR, Cheyenne, Wyo., took place Tuesday.

Mrs. Henry is the daughter of Mrs. Franklin Fette, Palo Alto, Calif., and Peiping, China, and the late Lawrence Williams Trowbridge of New York. She has made her home in Washington for the past five years and served with the OSS during the war.

Commander Henry is the son of Mrs. J. J. A. Van Kaathoven, Washington, and the late W. Barklie Henry, Philadelphia, Pa. He was assigned to active duty five months before Pearl Harbor and commanded one of the first World War II submarine chasers. He later was in command of the destroyer escorts USS Gantner and USS Rutherford. He is stationed here with the Navy Department and has two children by his former marriage, Miss Gertrude Henry and W. Barklie Henry.

Old World Flavor

Fruit with meat suggests old world flavor doesn't it? But what may have once been European in origin is now American by adoption.

Wellesley Club Sets Luncheon

The Washington Wellesley Club will hold its annual Christmas luncheon Saturday, 1 p. m., at the Willard Hotel.

Representative Chase Going Woodhouse of Connecticut will speak on "Domestic Problems as They Relate to Peace."

Reservations may be made through the club, or Mrs. Samuel Powell.

Visiting Son

Mrs. A. C. Burrows will spend the Christmas holidays in New London, Conn., with her son and daughter-in-law, Lieut. William Ennis, USN, and Mrs. Ennis.

Dutra's Wife Influential

Divorce Liveliest Question In Brazil's New Congress

By Virginia Prewett
Chicago Sun Foreign Service

Rio de Janeiro.—Divorce is one of Brazil's liveliest social questions and many Brazilians are firmly convinced that one of the first questions their forthcoming new Congress will take up is a law permitting divorce. That was the last order of business when the country's Congress closed November 10, 1937.

Divorce was injected into the recent presidential campaign. Supporters of the losing Gen. Eduardo Gomes are saying today that ecclesiastical authorities threw their influence behind the winning Gen. Eurico Gaspar Dutra because they knew Dutra's wife, the highly orthodox Dona Santa, never would permit Dutra to sign a divorce law.

As a matter of fact, the straight-laced Gomes came out against divorce, but he accepted the political support of the "Divorcistas," who represented a good-sized bloc in the liberal coalition backing Gomes.

No Legal Divorce

Though there is no such thing as a legal divorce in Brazil, there does exist the widespread custom of so-called "legal separations." They are called "desquites." Subsequent marriages of these people are called "social marriages."

Desquites generally are obtained by mutual consent between husband and wife with property division and custody of children agreed on amicably.

They are legally recognized and a man or woman can sue for a "desquite" against the spouse's will.

As a rule, legal separations are no more difficult to obtain than uncontested divorces in the States.

But the rub comes with neither party to such a separation permitted to make a new legal marriage. The so-called "social marriages" are recognized only to a degree.

What this actually means is that if a man is rich enough and prominent enough, he can get away with it.

Children Take Rap

Sociologists and one nationally known psychiatrist pointed out to this correspondent two of the chief pitfalls to these ambiguous relationships.

Although they may be accepted as real marriages during fair weather, they always are taken as the first reason to slam society's doors on the man and woman when their luck begins to turn.

The second big hitch to this compromise with divorce is the matter of children. The children of these "social marriages" suffer decided disadvantages.

Although illegitimacy is not a social stigma in Brazil to the same degree as in the United States, ecclesiastical schools refuse to accept these youngsters, thus making the children subject to an early social distinction that follows them through life.

The recently ousted Getulio Vargas, long-time Dictator-President, issued a decree two years ago making it possible for a man to "legitimize" his children, but the social stigma still is felt.

Miss Barker, George Cooper Exchange Vows

A double ring ceremony performed Saturday in the presence of their immediate families and a few close friends united Miss Elizabeth Barker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Barker, Danville, Va., and George Franklin Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Cooper, Fairfax, Va. The 6 p. m. wedding took place in the home of the Rev. J. B. Sawyer, pastor of Larchmont Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va.

A mink-trimmed teal-blue suit with matching accessories and corsage of orchids costumed the bride. Mrs. Roy Henderson, Norfolk, was her sister's only attendant. She wore a light blue gown with black accessories and gardenia corsage. Best man was Jack S. Christy, USNR, Lake Village, Ark.

The wedding reception was given by Mr. and Mrs. Henderson at the Windsor House.

After a honeymoon in the South, the Coopers will live in Arlington.

The bridegroom was discharged recently from the Army after 19 months' duty in the European theater.

40 Years of Living—For What? Just One Alligator Handbag

By Sara Yokley

New York (U.P.).—It takes an alligator 40 years to grow large enough to be made into one handbag. That's the reason good alligator bags are expensive and will remain in the luxury bracket.

The Rosenfeld Co., which makes some of the classiest and costliest bags on the market, insists that the shortage of alligator skins was not a wartime problem alone.

Can't Breed Alligators

"You just can't breed alligators," a company expert said. "At present, the supply of skins from this country, Mexico and South America falls far short of the demand for handbags, shoes, wallets and luggage. Women who have been waiting for prices to drop before buying bags are waiting in vain. Alligator skin is so valuable we buy it by the inch."

He picked up an alligator skin, dyed deep red. Counting what once was an alligator's tail, it was about 5 feet long.

Making a handbag is similar to making a dress. Cutters arrange their patterns on an alligator skin which already has been dyed and polished. They cut the skin with small sharp knives, then number each piece so that every part of the finished bag will be from the same skin. Scraps left over are sold to make pieced alligator shoes.

Trend Toward Roomy Bags

After cutting, suede is glued on the back of each piece for the inner lining of the bag. These are sewed, shaped, clamped at the top with a metal, shell or lucite frame, and the bag is complete.

The over-all style trend in the collection for spring is toward roomy bags.

Rosenfeld's bags for spring are roomy. Like the clothes for the coming season, they emphasize curves. Leather and fabrics are molded into melon-slice, scoop and crescent shapes. Full circles are used to form beret and tambourine-like bags.

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Christmas Just Another Day of Hunger for Millions of Children

UNRRA Is Their Nearest Approach to Santa Claus

By Christine Sadler

This unhappy little traveler (right) is bound for an orphan's home somewhere in Greece. Already supplied with warm clothing, she will be given enough food, through UNRRA, to keep her from starving this winter. The same goes for the Yugoslav youngsters (center). Tony is not the best-dressed young citizen of Italy, but there's solace in that hunk of bread

FOR many Americans this Christmas will be the happiest in a lifetime—the first peacetime celebration after history's most devastating war. A war from which their country emerged victorious, unbombed, well-fed, well-clothed and generally prosperous.

The traditional sparkle and gaiety are back. Christmas trees shine with electric splendor. Stockings are bulging and tables are loaded. Our children have toys. Not enough tricycles and trains—but something nice for each little girl and boy, and plenty of books and dolls.

Sugar is a bit short, it's true, and new automobiles are scarce—but cake is plentiful and evidences of a fatted land are abundant. The stores never before had so much trade.

Not all the sons and brothers and husbands and daughters are home yet—but those still away will have their gifts from home and their turkey dinners, and will hear no enemy planes roaring overhead.

In the midst of all these reasons for happiness, however, there will be some people—and maybe many of us—who pause long enough to remember that the United States, although a member of the United Nations, is celebrating Christmas in unique comfort.

Almost alone among the countries with which it fought to victory, it has no serious rehabilitation problems, no displaced persons, no lack of medicines, no fear of malnutrition or widespread lack of shelter.

Too Self-Concerned

Since VJ-Day, the records indicate clearly, we have been too concerned, with our own emotions, too caught up in our own buying and spending to care much what was happening elsewhere. At a time, too, when it would have been in the American tradition—one well-established and counting for most of the respect we enjoy among other peoples of the world—for us to have been sharing more than we have with the war victims of other countries.

Unless more help is given, now and later, thousands will die in Europe this winter from cold, hunger, and other deprivations. Along the roads of China thousands are dying of starvation now as they try to walk the long distances back home. Millions of words are printed and spoken, and all official observers verify the cries for help. Mothers starving themselves so their children can have enough to eat are commonplace in many parts of Europe.

The nearest approach to a Santa Claus that the children of several countriets will have this Christmas is the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration. It is taking basic food, some clothing, and medicine to the children of Greece, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Yugoslavia, Italy, Albania, and some to China. Also, it is helping the displaced persons of several countries and doing a special bit of relief in the Philippines.

To Help Russia, Too

Later, UNRRA will help in Austria, two parts of Soviet Russia, Formosa, and perhaps Korea. Until very recent weeks its program in Italy was limited to use of 50 million dollars appropriated especially for that country, which as a former enemy was not entitled to regular UNRRA aid until the relief agency's council—moved by the extreme conditions there—voted Italy in.

Even the experts can't agree on which European country is suffering most this winter, nor which group of people. There'll be more starvation in Italy than in Greece—which had its blood bath earlier. Vienna is suffering most among the cities and nobody has been able yet to measure all of Poland's need for food and clothing.

UNRRA does not operate in all of Europe. It was set up to help only the countries invaded by the enemy which declared themselves unable to help themselves. It does only the most basic sort of relief work and enough rehabilitation to get a smattering of transportation going and to help a few industries start.

For instance, it will send raw cotton to China because some textile mills are intact and the cotton will provide both work and clothing. The most of this sort of rehabilitation it is able to do, the less money it costs in the long run and the quicker the relief job will be over.

Delay Was Tragic

That is one reason why the recent delay of Congress in making promised money available to UNRRA was so tragic. Orders for farm machinery needed next spring had to be canceled. Textile orders were cut and the agency had to shift all its remaining money to food and medicine.

Such a direct relief job could go on for years. UNRRA, which was to be a step-up in welfare work as well as in international affairs—since it would show how all the United Nations could work together—was designed to help people get back on their feet and not just to be an international soup kitchen.

Most people remember that the United States is paying about three-fourths of the cost of the UNRRA. What some of them fail to realize is that we promised 1 per cent of our national income as of 1943 and that all the other 40-odd countries in UNRRA did the same thing. That we are so much wealthier than the rest of the world, one would think, is no sound basis for shirking with our share.

How much has this country given to UNRRA? Our first promise was for $1,350,000,000, the last $550,000,000 of which was made available only a comparatively few days ago—after a serious delay because everybody, including Congress, was so immersed in VJ-Day happiness that a few Congressmen who never wanted UNRRA in the first place got all the listeners.

Our second promise, now authorized by Congress and signed last week by the President, is for the same amount. The total is $2,700,000,000—or a little more than half what we normally spend annually on sports.

Congressmen Alarmed

From the second promised amount, the sum of 750 million dollars has been made available by an overwhelming vote because some of the Congressmen became alarmed at the serious thing it is to let half a world starve and because of them can move rapidly when they know people back home are behind them.

UNRRA will need the remaining 600 million of the promise in February—if it is to keep its present schedule. It hopes to complete its European work at the end of 1946 and be out of China in the spring of 1947. If there are any more delays, the schedule may need to be changed.

What else, in addition to UNRRA has this country done to aid the stricken peoples of other countries and help bind up the wounds of war? First, it made lend-lease available. That tremendous and worthy undertaking is now history so far as the flow of goods is concerned. Then, the Army took care of immediate food and shelter needs of civilians "in the wake of battle." That cost money, too, but for the most part also is ended. Then it occupied a portion of Germany and is doing some feeding and a bit of rehabilitation work there. Recently, it raised the official food ration in the U. S. Zone of Germany to 1550 calories daily and said that in all conscience it could not let the Germans starve, even if they never were able to foot the bill thus incurred.

Some of the Hungry Are Unable to Wait

Funds for UNRRA have been delayed, and some of the hungry war orphans will not be able to wait. If you have canned food, or clothing to spare, take it to the UNRRA depot at All Souls' Church, 16th and Harvard sts. nw., between 9:30 a. m. and 5:30 p. m.

If you wish to telephone, the number is COlumbia 2524. Your gift will be speeded on its way, uncluttered by red tape.

England Tightly Rationed

As low as the German rations are, they are higher than the actual rations in some of the countries surrounding Germany. The countries of Western Europe, although not receiving UNRRA aid, are hungry and cold and need help, nevertheless. With the exception of Denmark, none has enough food, clothing, or coal. England has a tighter clothes and food ration now than during the war. France has had to put bread back on rationing.

Some countries which have wanted only to buy from this country—and without getting a loan with which to do it—have trouble making the barest sort of purchases because the American civilian had to be "protected." By and large, the civilian has not been consulted about this "protection" and many of them would gladly have shared more, many even tried to do so and could find no official machinery through which to operate.

The machinery is set up now and individuals or groups can contribute through UNRRA. Many have done so. Another used clothing campaign is coming up early next year. A new organization called CARE is getting under way through which one can give money for relief packages. Various foreign relief groups, to which many Americans have given generously, still are in operation.

Make your own Christmas happier by helping somehow and all you can. What has been done to date is far from enough and regardless of what the country does on a tax-paying basis, the job is the responsibility of everybody personally, and one of the main faults about what we have done as a Nation—many believe—is that it has not provided a sense of personal participation.

Young Set In Leesburg For Holidays

Leesburg, Va., Dec. 22.—The Christmas holidays will bring to Leesburg many young folks. College students are arriving this week for their annual vacation and returning servicemen will add to the gayety of the Yuletide season.

Miss Cornelia Pickens, student at Bryn Mawr College, Pa., is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. S. Westray Battle, Asheville, N. C., and will come to Leesburg later to be at her home, Janelia Farms, for the holidays. Miss Lucy di Zerega, student at Edgewood Park School, Briarcliff Manor, N. Y., has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fuller, Fall River, Mass., and arrived here Saturday to spend the holidays in Leesburg. Miss Anne Smoot of the Richmond Medical College, is spending the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. F. P. Smoot. Another medical college student home for the holidays is Whitney Caulkins, son of the Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Caulkins.

Sergeant Plaster Home

Miss Jean VanDeventer and Miss Margaret Spring, students at Flora Macdonald School, North Carolina, arived last Sunday at their respective homes. Home from Madison College, Harrisonburg, are the Misses Lois Clemens, Sarah Thomas and Grace Houchins. Miss Betsy Harper, student at Georgetown Visitation Convent, Washington, arrived Friday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Harper. Miss Mary Brooks Popkins, graduate student at the University of North Carolina, arrived Wednesday. Jack Wells, Dennison College, Granville, Ohio, is spending several weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Wells.

Sergt. Hubert T. Plaster, jr., who served 16 months in the European Theater of Operations, has been mustered out of the service and arrived Wednesday evening at his home here. He served 2½ years in the Army. He was with the Third Army at Luxembourg when he was hospitalized. He spent several months in hospitals in France and England, and was in the latter country for some time before he sailed for America.

Miss Mary Lilington Bailey, Ph. 3/c, Chelsea, Mass., spent the weekend with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. Otis Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Clarke entertained at dinner Sunday at their home, Belmont Plantations, near Leesburg. Guests included Dr. and Mrs. William T. Burch, Belle Haven, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wyatt and daughters, Laura Belle and Jane, Dr. and Mrs. Edgar E. Quayle and daughter, all of Washington; Joseph Whiteford, Chevy Chase, Md., and Mr. and Mrs. John William Clemens and Mr. and Mrs. Morton Riddle, Leesburg.

Mrs. William B. Bullock, jr., entertained the Twentieth Century Club at her home Saturday evening. Approximately 30 were present. Guest speaker was Lieut. Col. E. B. White, jr., who talked on the occupation of Germany.

Mrs. James D. Bush and three children left Monday for Seattle, Wash., where they will make their home. Col. and Mrs. Michael Grenata and daughters will move into the house which was occupied by the Bushes. The Grenatas have with them for the Christmas season their daughter, Miss Michaela Grenata, student at William and Mary College, Williamsburg.

Miss Elizabeth White left Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Fred Swindell in Wilson, N. C.

Miss Marguerite Cornwell has issued invitations to a bridge luncheon next Friday at her home in Purcellville.

Miss Hester Anne Luke, student at the Maderia School, and Miss Nancy Mills Luke, who is attending Holton Arms, have arrived to spend the holidays with their father and mother, Capt. and Mrs. Stirling M. Harrison.

John William Clemens, Leesburg, was elected president of the Catoctin Farmers Club, oldest farm organization in Loudoun, at the annual meeting Saturday at the home of Robert H. Patton. He succeeds Sterling B. Lacy. Other officers are James H. Symington, vice president, and J. Churchill Newcomb, secretary-treasurer.

Rings On Their Fingers

Pelgrim—Dawson

Dr. and Mrs. Jay Carleton Pelgrim, Coral Gables, Fla., announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Lois Estelle Pelgrim, to Lieut. Edwin Scott Dawson 2d, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Lathrop Dawson, Washington. The bride-elect was graduated from the University of Miami, where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma and the Junior League. She is an instructor at the Miami Springs Elementary School.

Lieutenant Dawson, graduate of Haverford College, was engineering officer of an LST group in the Pacific and took part in the invasions of Eniwetok, Guam and Okinawa. He is on terminal leave.

The wedding will take place January 17, 5 p. m., in the Pelgrim home. Dr. Pelgrim, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Miami Springs, will perform the ceremony.

Cornell—Wheeler

Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Cornell, Providence, R. I., announce the engagement of their daughter, Ensign Alice Geraldine Cornell, USNR, to Frederick Robinson Wheeler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Caleb H. Wheeler, Thoreau Farm, Concord, Mass.

The bride-elect was graduated from Boston University College of Music and is stationed with the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington.

Mr. Wheeler attended Antioch College and served overseas 18 months with an ambulance unit of the American Field Service.

The wedding is planned to take place in February.

Webber—Dennett

Col. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Webber announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Barbara Anne Webber, to Cadet George Lightfoot Dennett, United States Military Academy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kingsley Dennett, Honolulu, T. H.

The bride-elect was graduated from Sullins Academy and Holton Arms Junior College and attended George Washington University.

Cadet Dennett was graduated from Punahou Academy and attended Bullis Preparatory School. He is a member of the United States Military Academy, class of 1946.

The wedding will take place in June.

Meadows—Stagg

Mrs. Pal Meadows, Annapolis, announces the engagement of her daughter, Dorothy Ann, to Midshipman James B. Stagg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph O. Stagg, Danville, Ky.

Miss Meadows is the daughter of the late Capt. Pal Lamar Meadows, USN, and the granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Harrell and the late Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Meadows, Ruston, La. She was educated in Switzerland, Honolulu, New Orleans, La., and Louisiana Tech. Midshipman Stagg will graduate from the U. S. Naval Academy in June.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Friedrich—Huebner

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Friedrich, Plainview, Nebr., announce the engagement of their daughter, Lois Mae, to Alfred A. Huebner, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huebner, North Platte, Nebr.

The bride-elect is employed by the Government.

Mr. Huebner attended the University of Nebraska and also was employed by the Government before he entered the service. He recently has returned from two years Pacific duty.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Dodd—Geiger

Mr. and Mrs. John Nevius Dodd, Newton, Conn., formerly of Brooklyn, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Melovidoff, to Lieut. Col. Allen Bethel Geiger 2d, USMC, son of Mrs. Ray Lester Geiger and the late Mr. Geiger, Green Cove Springs, Fla.

Miss Dodd attended Packer Collegiate Institute and was graduated from Swarthmore College. She is a captain in the Marine Corps Women's Reserve, stationed here.

Colonel Geiger was graduated from the University of Florida and is stationed at the Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Va.

Hughes—Dennewitz

Mr. and Mrs. Homer L. Hughes, Washington, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jean Brooke Hughes, to Ensign Homer A. Dennewitz, jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Homer A. Dennewitz, Silver Spring, Md.

Miss Hughes was educated in Washington schools. Ensign Dennewitz enlisted in the Merchant Marine at the outbreak of the war and recently received his commission in the Navy at Fort Trumbull, Conn.

The wedding will take place in the late spring.

Waller—Herring

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin P. Waller, Ocean City, Md., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Aline Naisby Waller, to Paul Littleton Herring, son of Dr. and Mrs. Paul S. Herring, Hyattsville, Md.

Miss Waller studied at the American School, Paris, France, and was graduated from Smith College. Mr. Herring, recently discharged from the Army Air Forces, is completing his studies at the University of Maryland.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Fontaine—Romberg

Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Fontaine have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Jean Fontaine, to Lieut. Comdr. Harold A. Romberg, son of Mrs. Arnold J. Romberg, Scribner, Nebr.

Miss Fontaine is employed by the Interim International Information Service, Department of State.

Mr. Romberg was graduated from Wabash College and did graduate work at Creighton University.

The wedding will take place February 9.

Columbus—Miller-Jones

Mrs. Charles Joseph Columbus announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Eugenia Columbus, to Pennington Miller-Jones, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Miller-Jones, Staten Island, N. Y., and Washington.

The bride-elect is the daughter of the late Charles Columbus and attended Georgetown Visitation Convent and Trinity College.

The wedding will take place in the spring.

Blake—Snowden

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blake, this city, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Rea Blake, to George W. Snowden, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Snowden, Parkersburg, W. Va.

Miss Blake is a senior at George Washington University.

Mr. Snowden attended the Pennsylvania Academy of Art and Corcoran Art School.

The wedding will take place in June.

Johannesen—Wise

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Johannesen, East Haven, Conn., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss May Evely Johannesen to William S. Wise, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Wise of this city.

Miss Mallory, Lt. Hathaway Repeat Vows

Wearing her grandmother's coronet and veil of rose point lace designed in Paris shortly after the Civil War, Miss Barbara Sealy Mallory, daughter of Mrs. Clifford Day Mallory, New York and Greenwich, Conn., and the late Mr. Mallory, was united in marriage with Lieut. E. Phillips Hathaway, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harold Grant Hathaway, New York, yesterday afternoon in St. James Episcopal Church, New York, by the Rev. Horace Donegan.

The bride was attired in heavy white satin with lace bodice and bouffant skirt. She carried white roses, bouvardia and butterfly orchids. Clifford Day Mallory, jr., brother of the bride, gave her in marriage.

Mrs. Clifford Day Mallory, jr., was matron of honor in a Moyen Age gown of pink faille. Miss Margaret Pynchon Mallory, sister of the bride, was maid of honor in American Beauty faille. Both of the bride's attendants carried sprays of white carnations and caladium leaves. Bridesmaids were Mrs. G. Sealy Newell, Mrs. John M. Cotes, Mrs. William Jenkins and Mrs. Everett Fisher.

Brother Best Man

Seaman second class Harold Grant Hathaway was best man for his brother. Ushers were Capt. Robert P. Chew, USA.; Lieut. Comdr. Herbert May, jr., USNR; John F. Chittenden, USMCR; Lieut. Comdr. Peter M. Coy, USNR; Sergt. Edward P. Franke, USAAF; Lieut. Harrison M. Robertson, USA; Capt. Russell D. Ketcham, USAAF, and Lieut. Comdr. G. Barron Mallory, USNR.

Mrs. Hathaway attended Rosemary Hall, Greenwich, Conn., and was graduated from Chatham Hall, Va. She made her debut in 1939. During the war the bride was a staff assistant with the Red Cross and later worked for the OSS. She is a member of the New York Junior League.

Lieutenant Hathaway was graduated from Choate School and attended the University of Virginia where he was a member of St. Elmo Club. He was commissioned at Pensacola, Fla., and recently returned from the Pacific where he was attached to a Marine bombing squadron.

A reception followed at the Colonial Dames House.

The Hathaways will live in Baltimore when they return from New Mexico.

Sorority Meeting

Beta Gamma Chapter, Pi Omicron National Sorority, will meet Saturday at 8 p. m. with Mrs. Helen E. Foote, 5617 New Hampshire ave. nw.

Commander Weds Iowa Wave In Navy Chapel at Annapolis

A coronet of Belgian lace brought from Brussels by the bridegroom formed the coronet and shoulder drape over a long veil of illusion when Dorothy Nelle Rankin, Waves, daughter of Dr and Mrs. I. A. Rankin, Iowa City, Iowa, exchanged marriage vows yesterday with Comdr. Dayton Albert Seiler, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Seiler, Elizabethton, Tenn. The double-ring 3 p. m. ceremony was performed by Chaplain Frank Lash, USN, at the Annapolis Chapel. Dr. Rankin gave his daughter in marriage.

The bride's gown of heavy ivory satin was fashioned with basque bodice, long pointed sleeves, full skirt and train. The round net yoke and off the shoulder neckline were outlined with lace. She carried a white Bible with two white orchids and shower of stephanotis.

Wear Aqua, Old Rose

Maid of honor, Miss Jane Elson, cousin of the bride, Corydon, Iowa, wore aqua taffeta, matching coronet and veil. She carried a colonial bouquet of violets, American Beauty roses and white pompons.

Bridesmaids were Mrs. Kenneth Clancey, White Plains, N. Y.; Miss Luella Bland, Washington; Miss Shirley Poyes, Providence, R. I.; Miss Vivian Crabtree, Bethany, Mo.; Miss Mae Smart, Ranier, Ore., and Miss Marion Seiler, Washington, cousin of the bridegroom. They were costumed in old rose taffeta with matching coronets and carried bouquets similar to that of the maid of honor's.

Comdr. Donald W. Seiler was best man. Ushers incluided Comdr. John Baranowski, Comdr. Raymond E. Doll, Comdr. Hayden Leon, Comdr. Daniel A. Martin and Ensign James Downing, Washington; Comdr. James Gray and Lieut. Comdr. Raymond Stiff, Annapolis, and Comdr. Sydney Sherby, Patuxent, Md.

Club Reception Follows

A reception followed at the Officer's Club, Annapolis.

Mrs. Seiler was graduated from University of Iowa where she was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha. She is a communications officer in Washington and has been active as a Girl Scout leader here for the last two years.

Commander Seiler was graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy in 1936 and did graduate work at California Institute of Technology. He recently returned from a special naval technical mission in Europe and is on duty at the Bureau of Aeronautics.

When the Seilers return from Florida they will live in Washington.

Gloria Floria Arrives

Miss Gloria Flora, a student at Madison College, Va., arrived Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays with her father, A. C. Flora, Chevy Chase, Md.

Bachrach

MRS. DAYTON A. SEILER
. . . Annapolis chapel rites

Mary C. Seal Becomes Bride

Mrs. Harold Wild announces the marriage of her daughter, Mary Caroline Seal, to Maj. Robert R. Smyers, USAAF, Skyesville, Pa., September 27.

Mrs. Smyers, daughter of Elwood H. Seal, Warrenton, Va., attended Friends School, National Cathedral School for Girls and Mount Vernon Seminary.

Major Smyers served more than four years with the Air Forces. He was graduated from Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, and will enter Harvard Law School in February. Mrs. Smyers will attend school in Boston.

Will Have Guests

Mrs. Frederick Mitchell Gould will have as her guest for the holidays, Miss Rhoda Law, Newport and New York.

Trumans Guests Of Press Group

THE President and Mrs. Truman will be guests of honor of the American Newspaper Women's Club at a reception, Friday, January 11, at 9 p. m. at Hotel Mayflower. Members of the Cabinet and their wives will be among guests.

Miss Greenman And New Yorker Are Married

Yeoman 2/c Barbara Greenman, USNR, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Frederick F. Greenman, Washington and New York, was married last night in the Washington home of her parents to Leon Stier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Stier, New York. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Samuel H. Goldenson, rabbi of Temple Emanu-El, New York.

The bride was graduated from the Horace Mann School and the University of Wisconsin. She entered the service in May, 1944, and is stationed at the Naval Research Laboratory.

The bride's father is on duty here as general counsel for the Foreign Liquidation Commissioner.

Mr. Stier is concluding his engineering training in New York. He recently was discharged from the Army after serving in the Thirty-seventh Troop Carrier Squadron of the 316th Troop Carrier Group and participating in the Sicilian, Naples-Foggia, Rome-Arno, Normandy, Northern France and Rhineland campaigns. His outfit received the Presidential Unit Citation.

After a brief wedding trip the Stiers will live in Washington.

Miss Dowden Honor Guest Of Mrs. Plitt

Miss Patricia Dowden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Dowden, will be the guest of honor tonight at a buffet supper to be given by Mr. and Mrs. Karl Plitt.

More than 40 young people have been invited to meet Miss Dowden, whose engagement to Mr. and Mrs. Plitt's son, Tech. Sergt. Karl Frederick Plitt, was announced several weeks ago.

Assisting Mrs. Plitt will be Miss Ruth Dowden, Miss Mary Dean Purvis and Mrs. William Crewe.

Miss Dowden is a senior at Hood College and Sergeant Plitt was graduated from the American University. He is a member of the American Chemical Society.

Mrs. Camperio Arrives

Mrs. Camperio, widow of Admiral Filippo Camperio, Italian Navy, has arrived in the States aboard the Gripsholm from her home in Milan, Italy. She will spend the winter and spring in Annapolis, Md., and Washington.

Eggnog Party

Mrs. Irvin L. Hunt will be hostess from 5 to 7 this afternoon at her annual Christmas eggnog party at her home on Q st. nw. About 75 friends have been invited.

Petworth Club Plans Reception New Year's Day

New Year's Day the Petworth Woman's Club will hold a reception at 8 p. m. in Fellowship Hall, Petworth Methodist Church, with the organization's past presidents as guests of honor.

Magdeburger

Sharing honors will be former presidents of the D. C. Federation of Women's Clubs as well as the current president, Mrs. Gertrude Parks. Former federation heads expected to attend include Mrs. Ernest Humphrey Daniel, Mrs. Arthur C. Watkins, Mrs. John Raedy, Mrs. Edgar B. Merritt, Mrs. Harvey W. Wiley, Mrs. J. W. Frizzell and Mrs. Howard Hodgkins.

Mrs. Edward C. Magdeburger, Petworth Club president, and Mrs. Parks will head the receiving line.

Highlights of the program will be a "surprise" musical program by artists whose identity will be kept secret until the night of the event, and presentation of a dramatic skit, "The Masquers," directed by Miss Pauline Oak.

General chairman is Mrs. S. C. Tupman. Other committee chairmen include Mrs. William R. King, decorations; Mrs. W. L. Hall and Mrs. Viola Thomson, refreshments.

Down Virginia Way

Kivlighan-Carter Troth Told; Skinners to Entertain Guests

By Nina Carter Tabb

Mr. and Mrs. J. Joseph Kivlighan, Staunton, Va., announce the engagement of their daughter, Katherine, to Dr. Samuel Henley Carter, jr., son of Mrs. T. W. Allen, The Plains, and the late S. Henley Carter, Marshall, Va.

Miss Kivlighan is a graduate of Mary Baldwin College. She is stationed at the Naval Air Station, Norfolk, with the Waves.

Dr. Carter is a graduate of the University of Virginia and of the University of Virginia Medical School. He is serving his internship at the Union Memorial Hospital, Baltimore. He is grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Alexander Carter, Meadow Grove, Marshall, and of the late Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bland Lee Fleming, Green Mont, The Plains.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Skinners to Give Party

There will be numerous parties during the holiday season and many visitors are arriving daily to help "make merry" with families and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Skinner will "start the ball rolling" in the way of gayety this afternoon at a party in honor of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kaye, New York, who were recently married. Mr. and Mrs. Kaye arrived yesterday to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Skinner and her mother, Mrs. William Hulbert.

Miss "Sister" Hubbard, will entertain tomorrow at the home of her mother, Mrs. Thomas Furnis, near Middleburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel H. Morison are expecting a large crowd of relatives and friends for the coming week at their home, Welbourne. Arriving today to visit the Morisons will be their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Poyntz Tyler, New York, their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Southgate Morison, Baltimore, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hill Jones and their son, Charles Hill Jones, jr., New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stimpson, Winchester, were guests at the debut of Miss Elizabeth Palmer Beverley in Richmond Thursday evening given by her mother, Mrs. William Beverley, at the Commonwealth Club.

Others Attend Debut

Others from northern Virginia attending were Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Byrd, jr., Miss Beverley's aunt; Frances Beverley, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Allen, Lewis Allen, jr., Ensign and Mrs. Harry Fowle, Phyllis Fowle, Dorothy Hawthorne, Dorothy de Grange, all of Winchester; Lucy Mitchell, Millwood; Virginia Harris, Brooke Harris, Palmer Beverley, Beverley Byrd and Richard E. Byrd 3d, all of Berryville. Receiving with Miss Beverley, were her mother, Mrs. William Beverley, her sister, Julia Duval Beverley, her cousin, Virginia Wellford and her uncle, William Palmer.

Henry Bowyer, Monkton, Md., formerly of Middleburg; Henry Lauria, Baltimore, and John Bosley, jr., of Maryland, are staying at the Red Fox Tavern, Middleburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter B. Wood, Baltimore, and their son, Welby Carter Wood, USMC, who has just returned from two years duty in the Pacific, were visitors at Crednal, Mrs. Wood's old home near Upperville the past week. Ashley Carter and J. Armistead Carter, jr., Norfolk, have also been guests.

Foner's Edition of Paine Reprints All Best Works Of Colonial 1-Man OWI

By Sterling North

The Complete Writings of Thomas Paine. Edited by Philip S. Foner, Ph.D. The Citadel Press. Two Vols. $6.

Statues, memorials and public buildings named for Thomas Paine are noticeable by their absence.

Yet there are those who feel that Paine ranks very close to Jefferson as a well-spring of American democracy.

THOMAS PAINE

To list his three major contributions:

1. As the "one-man OWI" of the American Revolution his "Common Sense" (read by virtually every literate citizen in the colonies) unmercifully flayed the institution of monarchy and inspired Americans to fight for freedom and unification.

2. His 15 "Crisis Papers" timed with unerring precision kept Washington's Army in the field, staved off mutiny and buttressed the sagging morale of the "home front."

3. His "Rights of Man" is still the most eloquent plea on record for the democratic categorical imperatives: freedom of speech and of religion; rule by elected representatives in a responsible community free of the tyrannies of both church and state. And his "Rights of Man" (Part II) is an astonishing and closely reasoned Beveridge plan for England more than a century and a half before Beveridge.

This complete edition of Paine contains not only these better known works but a huge volume of his shorter essays.

Paine's broadside at Negro slavery is one of the first passionate attacks on human servitude written in America. His blistering expose of Silas Deane's skulduggery in attempting to line his own pockets at the expense of the colonies is a rare example of courage in the face of powerful and well-heeled opposition. In fact, there are few dull lines in more than 200 papers, many republished here for the first time.

Those historians who claim that Paine was a conservative because he fought inflation both in America and England after the Revolution would have to brand Bowles a similar conservative. And those who think of Paine as a wooly-witted "radical" and a dreamer will find it difficult to explain his hard-headed prophecy concerning the eventual bankruptcy of British imperialism based principally upon his ingenious arithmetic progression on the cost of England's wars.

It is a sad and frightening thing to see a man as gifted and generous of his talent as Paine reduced to poverty and almost beggary in his old age. The concluding letters in which Paine futilely petitions the Congress of the United States for money rightfully his to save him from virtual starvation must move any democratic citizen to righteous wrath against bureaucrats and party hacks then and now.

The man who invented the iron bridge (and was cheated out of his patent); the smokeless candle; who formulated for all mankind a true Bill of Rights; who sought to guide the French Revolution along evolutionary and bloodless channels of reform; who anticipated by more than 65 years Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation—died, need we add, in poverty.

Read this complete Thomas Paine and blush for a certain faction of our own Nation who would recrucify Paine were he still alive today.

Beach Red. By Peter Bowman. Randon House. $2.50.

Like most writers, in my late teens I believed myself to be a poet, contributing with some regularity to Harper's, the Nation, the Dial, Poetry Magazine and other periodicals.

I mention it in passing only because I am sometimes accused of slighting a branch of literature I much admire. One of my correspondents has even inferred that I have a secret conviction that poetry is on the decline. I can't imagine how he arrived at such an inaccurate conclusion.

PETER BOWMAN

As a matter of cold fact, poetry is in one of its not infrequent periods of hibernation principally because poets, our most sensitive emotional thermometers, have experienced too many breezes of icy doubt. Poetry springs from convictions. Some of these may be vestigial or subconscious. But all must register along the spine or in the solar plexus when the right word combinations greet the eye or the ear.

But since the entire versifying fraternity is currently in a chaotic state of mind even such distinguished practitioners as Auden, Spender and Karl Shapiro are writing little more than precise and exquisite prose. Only three books of poetry this year have seemed to me of any considerable consequence. One was Shapiro's didactic "Essay on Rime"; a second was the young, uneven, but frequently brilliant "Tahl" by Jeremy Ingalls; the third is "Beach Red" by Peter Bowman.

Bowman, it seems to me, uses the reverse English on those needed convictions of which I was speaking. He has no illusions—not even the illusion of foreshortened time. Having reduced one hour in the storming of a Pacific beachhead to a stop-watch formula (one line represents each second) he needs little save the mechanics of acute observation to produce the effect of smashing reality. The only "conviction" the anonymous hero of this poem has is the quite normal one "I'll survive if I can."

In such an atmosphere of understandable skepticism actual poetry is as unlikely as roses in January. "Beach Red" is great journalism; it is an effective short novel; it is a terrifying, sensuous nightmare which leaves an unforgettable picture of an amphibious operation. But it is seldom poetry.

There is one final illusion modern poets might banish; that poetry is, indeed, merely a typographical convention, words printed in quantitative lines.

And a Merry Christmas To You, Too!

By Clip Boutell

Frank Sullivan always rounds out the year in rhyme. Lacking his poetic talent, but with no less warmth, I hereby wish the readers of this column a very Merry Christmas. And to the following who have contributed so much to good reading (and also to my daily rounds) in 1945, may I make a very special bow . . .

To **Norman Lewis**, whose "How to Read Better and Faster" gave me a durable conversation piece, even if I still can only plod along at about 30,000 words an hour.

To **Richard Wright** for the courage and talent he poured into his partial autobiography, "Black Boy."

To Commander **Walter Karig**, for "Lower Than Angels" and even more for his wonderful job as Chief of the Magazine and Book Section of Navy Public Information.

And to Lieut. **Roger Straus** of the same office, both for his work with Navy authors and because he is starting a publishing firm with **John Farrar** (who also has my admiration and best wishes).

To **Morton Thompson** for having written "Joe, the Wounded Tennis Player" (my choice as the funniest book of the year), and for having cooked me a dinner I will never forget.

To **Henrietta Sharon** for "It's Good to Be Alive' 'and for her selfless, understanding work at St. Albans and Halloran Hospitals.

To **Florence Becker Lennon**, author of "Victoria Through the Looking Glass," because from her I discovered that Lewis Carroll was a fellow southpaw.

To **Howard Riley Raper** for "Men Against Pain," a book which has no narcotic effect whatsoever.

To **Lillian de la Torre** for "Elizabeth Is Missing," a remarkable piece of reasearch.

To **Howard Fast** for "Patrick Henry and the Frigate's Keel" and to his brother, **Julius**, for his first mystery, "Watchful at Night."

To **Dr. George Gallup** for his statistics proving that the public would always go for sex—something I had never suspected before.

To **Bucklin Moon** for his anthology, "Primer for White Folks."

To **Reynal & Hitchcock** for that and a number of other good books, but especially for "Rickshaw Boy," and to the Book-of-the-Month Club for distributing it.

To **Alan Cranston** for "The Killing of the Peace," but even more for his share in the writing of Army Orientation Fact Sheet No. 64, the one on fascism.

To **Bill Sloane** of Henry Holt for sticking by his guns and publishing "The German Talks Back," but most certainly not to its author, Heinrich Hauser.

To **Georges Simenon**, because he has written more books than any other man alive.

To **J. B. Powell**, the author of "My Twenty-five Years in China," for courage.

To **Bob Casey** for "Battle Below" (the best of the submarine books) and for his wonderful fund of stories.

To **Alberta Hannum** for discovering Beatien Yazz (Little No Shirt) and for making his paintings available in color in "Spin a Silver Dollar."

To **Rabbi Milton Steinberg** for his plain-speaking in "A Partisan Guide to the Jewish Problem."

To **Margalo Gillmore** and **Patricia Collinge** for "The B.O.W.S.," which tells you more about the war than reams of foxhole reporting.

To all the editors and correspondents of **Yank**. ("The Best From Yank" is a book you must own.)

To **H. Allen Smith** for "Desert Island Decameron," although like Mr. Smith, I'd still rather be marooned with Dorothy Lamour.

To **Betty MacDonald** for that very tasty omelet, "The Egg and I."

To the editors of the 15 papers now using this column and to my friends in the publishing world.

Plantation Life Draws Heroine Home

Keyes Romance Set in Louisiana

The River Road. By Frances Parkinson Keyes. Messner. $3.

The authoress of "Honor Bright," "Queen Anne's Lace," etc., has turned to Louisiana plantation life.

Her Cinderella heroine, Merry Randall, humble secretary in a Baton Rouge department store, marries Gervais D'Alvery, World War I hero and master of Belle Heloise.

In one of the best-concealed accouchements since the birth of Tom Jones, Gervais' unmarried sister Cresside, has a son. Merry, who by strange coincidence has a daughter simultaneously, pretends Cresside's baby is twin to hers.

Time passes. Cresside, repenting her folly, marries Fabian, crippled, but tender, wise—and rich.

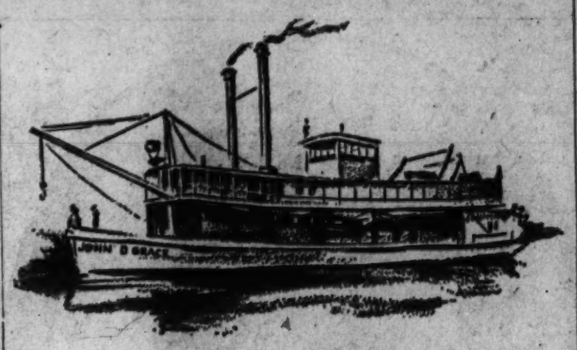
Three more children, in the meantime, have been born to Merry and she has become dowdy. Gervais, who started out as a regular guy, has become domineering.

Changes Character

Merry rebels. She appeals to her former employer, who puts her in charge of his Paris bureau. The timid, devoted mother leaves her family and becomes in a few pages a glamorous fashion executive.

But when her daughter marries the son of a former peddler, now a multimillionaire, Merry returns to Belle Heloise with a trousseau. And she finds she can't leave the dear old place.

M. M.



DRAWING BY LESTER KOHS
. . . depicts scene in Mrs. Keyes' latest work

Degas Is Pictured as a Master

Edgar Degas. By Camille Mauclair. Hyperion Press. $3.

I remember an art teacher of mine (not without talent) lashing out at men like Miro with the bitter remark, "With the masters ancient or modern one knows exactly what they wish to say but cannot for the world explain how they said it; with the mountebanks no one knows what they are trying to say, but how they said it is pathetically obvious."

By this touchstone Degas was a master and not a mountebank. From his earliest paintings influenced by Ingres and Delacroix, down through the periods when he drew horsemen and ballet girls to his vivid two dimensional pastels one knows what he is saying; but it is never obvious just how he has said it.

An original and alone in many of his experiments he nevertheless mirrored at great remove an entire century of French painting. He died in 1917 at the age of 83, having painted until he was almost blind, poor, not greatly loved, but assured of lasting fame. S. N.

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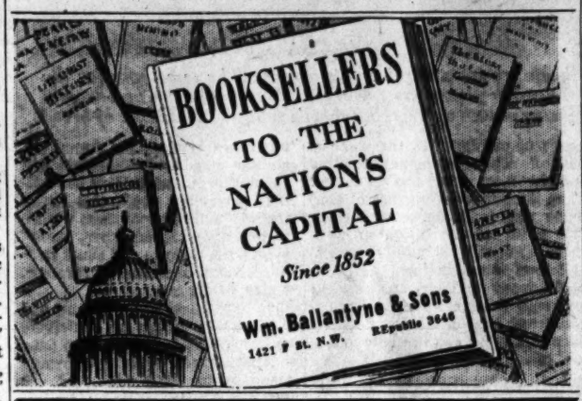

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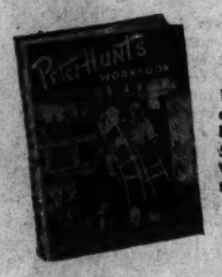

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Buenos Aires Leads Spanish Book Printing

By Virginia Prewett
Chicago Sun Foreign Service

Buenos Aires.—This city is the world's largest publishing center of Spanish language books. And Argentina is the world's second largest exporter of books.

The presses cannot keep up with the demand and every one of the capital's big publishing houses has a long list of titles withheld from publication until new machinery from the United States and more generous paper supplies permit printing them.

Book publishing has come to the fore here only within the last 10 years. In 1934, only 509 books were published in Argentina. In 1943, peak year before the power shortage curtailed production, 4923 books were published.

It was the Spanish civil war that gave the book publishers in Argentina their impetus. The big Spanish publishing firm of Espasa Calpe had its South American distributing headquarters in Argentina—earning a net profit of some 500,000 pesos ($12,500) a year.

When the civil war broke out in 1936 the stockholders decided to use this money to publish books in Buenos Aires rather than to let it go back to Spain.

Resented Censorship

A new staff was formed, headed by Gonzalo Losado, for 20 years head of Espasa Calpe's Buenos Aires branch. But because Espasa Calpe of Spain sent representatives to impose strict pro-Franco censorship, the new staff resigned and formed Editorial Losada.

The Losada-Rossi combination produced attractive, cheap books—a revolutionary action. And because this type of book was a financial success, other new firms mushroomed.

More Unpublished Manuscripts By Wolfe May Reach Public

By Bill Goodykoontz

That torrent of words which Tom Wolfe poured on paper before he died in 1938 is by no means exhausted, even though three novels and a volume of letters have already been published posthumously.

Shortly before her death two two weeks ago, his mother, Julia E. Wolfe, told a Post reporter that she expected "another volume of letters" and perhaps one or more "collections of unpublished manuscript" to be put in book form eventually.

WOLFE

Maxwell Perkins, Scribner's editor and Tom's literary executor, has been collecting Wolfe letters for some time with an eye to another volume to follow "Letters to His Mother." Probably the largest number of these will be the letters Tom wrote to his sister, Mrs. Ralph H. Wheaton, who lives at 3612 Macomb st. nw.

The other books, if any, would come from that reservoir of more than one million words left by Tom at the time of his death, which has already yielded the long "Web and the Rock" and "You Can't Go Home, Again" and the smaller, "The Hills Beyond."

The new year should see the publication at last of John S. Terry's "official" biography of Tom Wolfe. Mrs. Wolfe, who spent parts of two winters "talking into a dictaphone" about Tom's childhood and her own fabulous life, was a little impatient over the delay when she visited Mrs. Wheaton here at Thanksgiving.

"I told John," she said, "that I wanted to read that book and I didn't want to wait till I was on the ethereal plane to do it."

But, unlike her son who seemed to feel an acute premonition of early death—packing up with uncharacteristic orderliness everything he had written and leaving not so much as a dirty towel or an unpressed suit in his apartment when he left on his last journey in 1938—Julia Wolfe showed no consciousness or fear of approaching death.

This indomitable old woman, who loved to refer to herself as Tom Wolfe's mother, was born Julia Elizabeth Westall a year before the Civil War in Buncombe County, North Carolina. But she will perhaps be remembered longest as the original of Eliza Gant, mother of the autobiographical Eugene of the huge, turbulent "Look Homeward Angel" and "Of Time and the River."

Fastidious people might, and did, consider the portrait unflattering, but Julia Wolfe had long since overcome any resentment she might once have felt.

"Tom exaggerated a lot in that book," she chuckled. "You know he always had a great imagination."

At 85, she still did her own housework, laundry and gardening in the famous old house at 48 Pine st., Asheville, N. C. When she visited her daughter here she insisted on cooking the Thanksgiving turkey herself.

But even a woman whose life was "somehow beyond accidents of time, training and occasion"—as Tom once wrote of Eliza Gant—could overestimate her strength. Ten days after she went to New York Julia Wolfe suffered a sudden fatal heart attack.

Tom had been buried "where the sunlight could warm him." Julia Wolfe was placed beside him.

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Vet Gets Key to City, Not Home

By Sam Stavisky
Post Veterans Editor

For some three million returning veterans the strain of "Home, Sweet Home" will be rendered in sour off-key. There just aren't enough homes for GI Joes to come marching back to.

Most of the "homeless" three million will have to double up in cramped quarters with in-laws, relatives, neighbors and friends.

It will be a tight squeeze for several years. Just how tight and how long will depend chiefly on the communities of the Nation.

The Federal Government, through the President and Congress, is now taking belated steps to alleviate the acute housing shortage by giving veterans preference to reconverted war housing and new housing as well.

But no amount of appropriations can overtake the shortage in the next two or three years. Unless the Nation's towns and cities pitch in, the GI who bore the war's brunt will also have to suffer the most from the postwar housing shortage.

Such a situation would not only be unfair, it would be explosive. The men coming back to find "home" an illusion are naturally bitter. They feel they've been cheated out of something they'd been fighting for.

It is an unquestionable fact that during the war years it was necessary to manufacture ammunition rather than build houses. But that is, after all, a dry bone to toss at a home-yearning combat veteran.

This Includes Us

Those communities and citizens sincerely interested in the welfare of their returning GIs and in helping them make the readjustment to civilian life and civic responsibility, must act quickly and positively in easing the housing crisis for veterans.

The great majority of local governments have done little or nothing concrete in providing housing along with the keys to the city which are preoffered to all "homecoming" heroes. The District of Columbia is in this sad-commentary category.

What can the individual community do?

The community can apply to Federal Public Housing Authority for surplus war housing and military barracks to be reconverted into adequate, comfortable, decent family living quarters for veterans. Pending legislation will permit FPHA to pay the costs of dismantling, transferring and reassembling approximately 100,000 units of war housing, as well as rebuilding dormitories and barracks into row apartment houses.

Fifty-nine municipalities, at their own initiative and expense, have already obtained such temporary housing, chiefly portable homes and trailers, to shelter veterans and their families.

Other progressive communities have established a system of giving veterans priority on all rental vacancies, in this way gradually shifting to the nonveteran families part of the burden of doubling up.

Vacancies Unreported

Of course, any such priority program needs the support of the community's citizens to be at all effective. Apartment house owners and managers and real estate people would have to cooperate with any central clearing office. In Washington, for example, the War Housing Center, a Federal agency, is giving veterans priority, but few housekeeping flats or apartments are reported in despite the normal turnover here.

Through building and zoning regulations, communities can help direct critical building materials into housing construction for veterans, supplementing in this respect measures taken by the Federal Government.

Owners of large homes might be aroused to their community responsibility and, where practical, arrangements made to take in veterans' families. Governor Frank J. Lausche of Ohio has moved a veterans' family into the executive mansion.

Here in the District, we are forced instead to witness the legal eviction of 14 families from an apartment house so that Senator W. Lee O'Daniel (D., Tex.), who bought it, can convert it into a suitably commodious home for his own family.

Surplus Liberty Ships, landing barges, and bombers have been suggested as possible temporary homes for veterans. These strange "homes" might work out all right, but it would be well to determine whether the veterans would suffer less inconvenience in doubling up.

While much of the housing shortage is directly attributable to the war, it is also true that not enough good housing at the right prices was built before the war. In the building-boom year of 1925, some 900,000 nonfarm homes were constructed. During the depression years residential construction fell off to a low of 93,000 dwelling units. During the four war years only two million homes went up.

Crisis in 1946

The Wagner-Ellender-Taft housing bill, now before Congress, would stimulate construction, sale and rental of 1,200,000 homes annually, for ten years. But for the next year, only a half million homes can be put up considering the current shortage of materials. And the half million figure is an optimistic prediction.

But during the same year, 1,300,000 veterans are expected to get married and seek family housing. Altogether, there's expected to be about three million veterans wanting their own home for their families by the end of 1946.

The question confronting each American community, and which each community must face and answer is this:

Shall the veteran have to assume the entire burden of the housing shortage?

Or will the community—and citizens—pitch in and share the problem?

COMMISSIONER Philip J. Klutznick of FPHA inspects two-family dwelling unit at a war housing re-use demonstration, as Project Engineer George Lommel points out detail of construction

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Duplicate Fans Recess Only On Dec. 25

By Marian H. Barre

December 25 is notable as the only day in 1945 when duplicate boards are not in play. New Year's, Easter, Fourth of July—no other holiday can stem the tide and just once each year fans desert the game for a wassail bowl.

While the Westerners held the Eynon Bowl it was the custom to use it for this purpose, but a scattered champion foursome now makes that impracticable. The Cheeks Club, however, will continue to keep open house on Christmas, dispensing eggnog from an ordinary vessel, while fans foregather there for a quiet rubber.

A one-week recess will be observed by the Federal Bridge League, which reopens New Year's evening at Wardman Park Hotel with a special pair match, open to the general public. Semiannual playoffs for section prizes will not be resumed until January 8. Leading foursomes in the first session of the playoffs were as follows:

In Section A the Cascades won 16 boards, Jeeps second with 15; the Army team led Section B with 15 matches, Bees and Eight Spots tying with 13½; the Fighters had a one-board lead over the Splashers in Section C, where 15½ was top; the Scoop team lived up to its name by winning 15½ in Section D for a 3½-board lead over the LAPE and Success foursomes tied with 12. All sections played 24 out of 28 boards.

Club Game Open

The Agriculture Bridge Club will meet as usual on the fourth Wednesday, which falls on December 26, but the club's master point monthly for January will be put forward one week, thus coming on December 29 instead of January 5. This game is open also to nonmembers, but reservations must be made in advance by calling the director, Mrs. D. E. Stephan, Columbia 7857.

No holiday readjustments are necessary in the Washington Bridge League, where the next meeting is scheduled for January 2 at Hotel Shoreham.

Master Point Winnerr

The Capital City Chess Club gave a pre-Christmas party in the form of a duplicate round robin on December 12 for 20 players who were guests of the bridge committee. Miller Roberts won first prize, with an additional perquisite of 150 national rating points from the ACBL. Mrs. Sybil Newland's second place award was 100 points, while W. R. Garrett received 50 for finishing third. The game was directed by Dr. J. V. Waits. Wives of committee members served refreshments while the scoring was in progress. During the holidays the club's bridge matches will continue as usual every Thursday and Saturday evening.

Master point winners at the Euclid Studio monthly on December 15 were C. W. Zimmer and T. B. Westman, who defeated Mrs. Dora Schwartz and Mrs. Bernard Rosson.

Issue Dates

Washington Philatelist

By William M. Stuart

Many times during the past few months incorrect dates concerning the issue of new stamps have appeared in the philatelic press. Official releases are given out in ample time for all collectors interested to secure full particulars as to the issue date of new stamps; therefore the Postoffice Department should not be unjustly blamed, as it is by many. Recently false reports have caused confusion and annoyance, and postal officials reiterate that if department releases are followed there will be no mix-up. So-called "exclusive" reports usually are unreliable and simply confuse collectors to whom proper dates are absolutely necessary.

The 3-cent Texas Statehood stamp, blue, will be released Saturday, at Austin, Tex.

The sale of stamps at the Philatelic Agency for November, 1945, amounted to $206,690.12.

The 1945 Postal Guide, last word on the spelling of American place names, has just been issued by the Postoffice Department.

Ecuador issued commemorative stamps honoring the 150th anniversary of the birth of Gen. Antonio Jose de Sucre, noted soldier and statesman. Five stamps for regular postage pictured the general and five air mail stamps showed "Monumento a la Libertad" the monument to liberty.

At the meeting of the Collectors Club, Branch 5, SPA, Tuesday evening in Pythian Temple the auction benefited stamp collectors at Walter Reed Hospital. Manager Seymour Ast and Auctioneer Ellery Denison had many fine lots and $30.60 was realized for stamps and philatelic material. A regular club auction was also held. Instead of the usual Christmas party appropriate motion pictures were shown by Mr. Galloway. There will be no meetings on Christmas and New Year and the next session will be Jan. 8.

The Woodridge Stamp Club met Monday evening at Woodridge Public Library, 2206 Rhode Island ave., ne. Fred Johnson spoke on "Bolivia, the Country and its Stamps."

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Two Hours of Stars

There'll be a huge bundle, gaily wrapped on your radio tree, when you tune in for "Two Hours of Stars." Presenting a veritable stream of stage, screen and radio celebrities, the program will offer comedy, drama, light songs and selections from the classics. An Elgin presentation, "Two Hours of Stars," from 4-6 p. m. Christmas Day, will feature Funnyman Bob Hope as he wise-cracks with Vera Vague—Jack Benny—Artur Rubinstein at the piano—Ginny Simms singing the songs America likes best—Alan Reed, Don Ameche, Ken Carpenter and The Charioteers. Don't miss this.

Jack Benny

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Merry Musicade Gives Music Medley

At 3:30 in the afternoon on Christmas Day, when the excitement of unwrapping has abated somewhat, "Christmas Musicade" will take the air. A half hour of light musical cheer in keeping with the holiday mood, it presents Raymond Paige and his 30-piece orchestra with a choir of 12 mixed voices.

Annamary Dickey

Annamary Dickey, star of the Sunday night "Star Theater," and Felix Knight, tenor, will provide solos. Miss Dickey sings "Thine Alone," "Somebody Loves Me," and "Song of Songs." Mr. Knight's offering is "If I Loved You" and "Night and Day." A dramatic reading by Burgess Meredith of an original Christmas fantasy is a highlight of the "Musicade." A "Toy of Fantasy" by the orchestra and male chorus is put together with "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers," "Toy Trumpet," "Doll Dance" and "March of the Toys."

Felix Knight

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And Many Others

"Theater of Romance" presents Paul Lukas in "The Messiah," an original drama by Jean Holloway, inspired by incidents in the life of George Frederick Handel in connection with the writing of his famed oratorio of the same title. The vehicle dramatizes the Bible story of Christmas as it is used in Handel's "Messiah" and tells how he came to write the oratorio. It will be heard at 8:30 p. m. on the twenty-fifth . . . Helen Hayes, first lady of the American theater, stars in Charles Tazewell's "Littlest Angel" in a special Christmas "Inner Sanctum" program at 9 p. m. on Christmas night . . . At 9:30 p. m., "This Is My Best" presents Vina Delmar's "Twenty-Two Years to Christmas," the story of a girl who has grown up hating her father because 22 years ago he deserted his family on Christmas day. Virginia Bruce takes the lead role . . . "The Ford Show" at 10 p. m. presents Jo Stafford and Larry Brooks in a selection of favorite Christmas songs . . . And WTOP-CBS says "Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night" with a special program of music late in the day, featuring the Columbia Concert Orchestra under the direction of Bernard Herrmann, 10:30 p. m.

Larry Brooks

Jo Stafford

enjoy SUNDAY with WINX

MUSICAL TREASURES—1:05 to 1:30 P. M.

Kenny Baker sings three beautiful and ageless Christmas hymns, and Al Goodman's orchestra plays a group of tender ballads.

SUNDAY SYMPHONY—2:05 to 3 P. M.

Sir Adrian Boult directs the BBC Symphony Orchestra in a performance of "Fantasy on a Theme of Thomas Tallis," by Vaughan Williams.

MEMORABLE MUSIC—3:05 to 5 P. M.

Two hours of selections from the world's best music, with accents on the holiday theme. The "Eugen Onegin Waltz," by Tschaikowsky; Waldteufel's "Les Patineurs," played by the Boston Pops Orchestra; "Poem for Flute and Orchestra," by Charles Griffes, featuring Joseph Mariano, flutist; "The Littlest Angel" is narrated by Loretta Young; Eric Coates directs the London Symphony Orchestra in two of his compositions: "Footlights" and "From Meadow to Mayfair," Gladys Swarthout sings three unforgettable selections; the brilliant pianist, Jose Iturbi performs three outstanding classics; the London Symphony Orchestra plays "Belshazzar's Feast," by Sibelius, and Ferdie Grofe's "Mississippi Suite" is conducted by D'Artega. Eugene Meyer, Editor and Publisher of The Washington Post, will be the guest speaker today.

SOPHISTICATED RHYTHM—5:05 to 6 P. M.

The popular songstress, Connie Boswell, sings four lovely songs, mellow, melodic arrangements are played by Al Goodman, Sammy Kaye, Dave Rose and Claude Sweeten, and Donald Novis sings a group of sentimental ballads.

SYMPHONY HOUR—9:05 to 10 P. M.

Excerpts from Handel's immortal and magnificent "Messiah" are performed by the London Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Sir Thomas Beecham.

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It's Christmas Everywhere For Three Days on Radio

By Sonia Stein
Post Radio Editor

WITH EVERYBODY in radio anxious to wish listeners a Merry Christmas, Yuletide observance starts ahead of time on the air waves.

In addition to the regular programs keyed to the holiday season, there are a vast number of special broadcasts on the holiday itself and the few days immediately preceding.

President Truman's holiday message to the Nation, to be given when he lights the National Christmas Tree on the White House grounds at 5 tomorrow afternoon, will be broadcast by all networks and WINX. A message from King George of England will be heard on Christmas morning over WTOP-CBS and WRC-NBC.

EVANS

From 4 to 6 p. m. on Christmas Day, the Elgin show, an annual WTOP-CBS event, will present Don Ameche, Bob Hope, Jack Benny, Vera Vague, Allan Jones, Ginny Simms, Red Skelton, Artur Rubinstein, Ken Carpenter, Gen. Omar Bradley and enough other luminaries to fill "Two Hours of Stars."

Two midnight masses will be celebrated over the air on Christmas Eve, one from the Franciscan Monastery here over WMAL, and the other from St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York over WOL-Mutual.

PARTICULARLY anxious to bring all Americans together on this first peacetime Christmas, radio will use its peculiarly apt facilities to pick up GI greetings from all over the world. Tomorrow at 1:30 p. m., WOL-Mutual will carry "Christmas in Germany," at 8, "Vox Pop" will broadcast from Walter Reed Hospital over WTOP-CBS; at 10:30, WMAL-ABC will visit wounded soldiers in Birmingham Hospital in California and at 11:45 WTOP-CBS goes "Around the World." WRC-NBC globetrots at 12:30 a. m., and WOL-Mutual does the same Christmas morning at 10:05. At 2 that afternoon, WRC-NBC picks up "Christmas in America." WMAL-ABC goes overseas from 2:30 to 3.

"Christmas in Toil-Land" will be presented over WOL at 3:15, when Washingtonians who have to work on the holiday will be interviewed.

INSPIRED by the same story that encouraged the medieval church to use the dramatic form, many authors have written plays about the Nativity. Tonight at 11:30 a "Christmas Story" written by Larry Frommer will be enacted by the WOL Players. Maurice Evans, who has been so widely acclaimed for his acting talents, but who is rarely heard on the air, will read the "Story of the Nativity" and the Twenty-third Psalm at 6 tonight over WMAL-ABC.

Christmas morning at 11 Fred Waring and his Pennsylvanians will present over WRC-NBC the Christmas story in narrative form with 15 of the less well-known carols worked into it.

This afternoon at 2:30, John Charles Thomas will read the "Juggler of Notre Dame" over WRC-NBC, and tomorrow at 11:30 p. m. Frank Luther will read "The First Christmas" and "The Little Match Girl" over WINX. Early Christmas morning at 3 a. m., WWDC-ABS will dramatize "The Nativity." Tuesday at 8:30 p. m. over WTOP-CBS Paul Lukas will play in "The Messiah," an original drama based on the life of Handel.

At 9 Christmas night, Helen Hayes stars in Tazewell's "Littlest Angel" over WTOP-CBS and Virginia Bruce appears in "Twenty-two Years to Christmas" at 9:30.

This afternoon at 2 Raymond Massey will read "When the Wise Man Appeared" over WRC-NBC and Lauritz Melchior will sing seasonal music. At 4:30 Nelson Eddy will be among the cast of a Walt Disney fantasy in which voices of cartoon characters will be heard over WTOP-CBS. Over the same station at 9, Robert Walker and Maureen O'Sullivan will star in "The Gift of the Magi."

Tomorrow morning at 10:45, WTOP-CBS will dramatize Dickens' "Christmas Carol." A Ben Hecht play will be presented at 8:30 p. m. over WMAL-ABC and "Cricket on the Hearth" over WRC-NBC at 11:30 p. m.

Tuesday at 8:20 a. m. WTOP will broadcast a Norman Corwin play entitled "The Plot to Overthrow Christmas," and at 9 WWDC will do Dickens' "Christmas Carol."

Current Events Today

Prof. J. Robert Oppenheimer discusses the "Atomic Age" during intermission between Mozart's Thirty-ninth Symphony and Strauss' Symphonia Domestica," by New York Philharmonic. **WTOP—3 p. m.**

President's Army-Navy merger is subject of "Congress on the Air." **WINX—8:30 p. m.**

Elmer Davis gives first of two special Sunday reviews of the year's news. **WMAL—9:30 p. m.**

Eugene Meyer, editor and publisher of The Washington Post, is guest speaker on "Memorable Music," which today includes a narration of "The Littlest Angel" by Loretta Young. **WINX—3:05 p. m.**

Music on the Air To Include All Your Favorites

For 51 weeks of the year, some of the best and most heart-warming music ever written remains silent, waiting for Christmas week to peal forth in joyous splendor. Radio has waited discreetly for its annual opportunity to present Handel's "Messiah" and sing Christmas carols.

The famous Handel oratorio will be heard here five times in three days. Tonight at 9:05 WINX will present some parts of it and at 11:15 a 250-voice chorus will join the Kansas City Symphony in the "Messiah" over WTOP-CBS. Tomorrow night at 10:15 Frances Greer and James Pease will sing excerpts over WOL-Mutual, and at midnight the First Presbyterian Choir of Hollywood will perform the entire work over WWDC-ABS. Tuesday afternoon at 1:30, WMAL will play the London Philharmonic recordings of the oratorio.

This afternoon at 2, the Stradivari Orchestra will be joined by a special choir for Christmas music-making over WTOP-CBS and at 5 p. m. the hundred-voice Prudential Insurance Co. chorus joins the "Family Hour" on WTOP-CBS. At 7:15 tonight over WINX, Katherine Dobbs Hansel will present Kentucky mountain carols.

Holst's "Christmas Day," Rimsky-Korsakov's "Christmas Eve" and Kreisler's "Midnight Bells" will be featured on the Ford Hour at 8 tonight over WMAL-ABC.

Tomorrow at 2:30 the Pasadena Boy Choir will sing over WMAL-ABC. At 7:05 p. m., the George Washington University Chorus will sing "The Christ Child" in a Christmas Eve recital at 7:05 over WINX. Helen Traubel will be on the "Telephone Hour" tomorrow night at 9 over WRC-NBC and will also sing "Silent Night" at 11:57, just prior to the ringing of the midnight chimes. Carols by the St. Thomas Church Choir in New York will follow.

From 11:30 to 12 Christmas Eve, WWDC-ABS will pick up the caroling from St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York, and WOL will play holiday music. At midnight, WTOP-CBS will begin to carol.

Christmas Day, WWDC-ABS will pick up the Yale Whiffenpoofs from New Haven at 12:45 p. m.

"Memorable Music," which is heard on WINX each holiday as well as Sundays, will include "Is There a Santa Claus?" sung by Jessica Dragonette in its two-hour program beginning at 3:05 p. m.

Thomas L. Thomas, Jean Dickenson, Margaret Daum, Bob Hannon and Evelyn MacGregor will sing an hour of Christmas carols and hymns at 4 p. m. over WRC-NBC.

The WINX "Symphony Hour" will bear the season's mark, particularly Christmas night at 9:05 when Russian and American music will be featured, and all musical programs are likely to sprinkle hymns, carols and "Jingle Bells" throughout their format from now until "Merry Christmas." S. S.

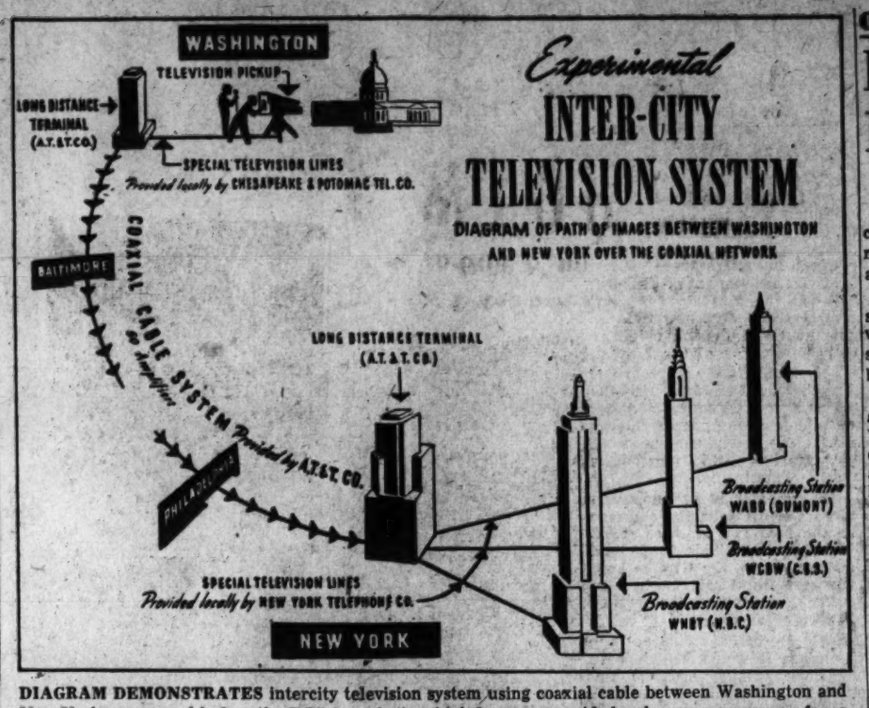
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DIAGRAM DEMONSTRATES intercity television system using coaxial cable between Washington and New York, a proposal before the FCC for relaying high-frequency, wide-band waves necessary for a coast-to-coast network in lieu of telephone lines

Stratovision May Win Race To Relay Waves

By Brack Curry
Associated Press Staff Writer

Another race is on to span the continent, reminiscent of the days when the railroads were battling to link East with West.

This time it's a race in the ether—a race among three proposed methods of network television broadcasting.

Present telephone lines of the National Radio Network can't carry television, so would-be television network operators must find another way, and an efficient one, to transmit the waves.

There's a galaxy of proposals before the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for relaying high-frequency, wide-band waves so that coast-to-coast television networks can be set up.

The three main types of proposals, says the FCC, are:

1. Stratovision.
2. Coaxial cable.
3. Point-to-point relays.

Stratovision is the most amazing of the lot.

Transmitters mounted in airplanes flying 6 miles above the earth are the key to stratovision. Programs would originate in ground studios and be "beamed" to planes in much the manner of military radar for relaying and broadcast.

The plans call for all-metal, low-wing monoplanes almost as large as the B-29 but weighing only one third as much. They would cruise at less than 150 miles an hour. Two planes would be in the air at all times at each location—one broadcasting and relaying, the other standing by to take over in an emergency.

Westinghouse believes the short waves sent out from this airborne antenna would blanket the earth's surface like a great inverted ice cream cone, covering an area 422 miles across, or equal to about the combined area of New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

The FCC has okayed stratovision experiments.

Gives Private Path

The Bell system plans long distance television by a "coaxial cable" designed to carry large numbers of telephone conversations. It also is suitable for transmitting television. This "coaxial pipe" provides a private path through the ether in which radio waves can be guided instead of spreading in all directions as in ordinary radio broadcasting.

Regularly scheduled intercity television is due to begin early in January over a coaxial circuit between Washington and New York City.

Another method of transmitting multiple telephone channels and television, called radio relay, is under development by Bell engineers. An experimental system now is being built between New York and Boston.

Waves Are Bounced

In this system the television waves are "bounced" from one relay station to another. The stations are usually towers about 100 feet high and about 35 miles apart.

FCC records show Philco opened the first multiple radio relay for television last April 17. It sent programs from Washington to Philadelphia.

Other companies experimenting with relay systems are the Raytheon Corp., General Electric, International Business Machines, Federal Telephone & Radio Corp. and the Radio Corporation of America.

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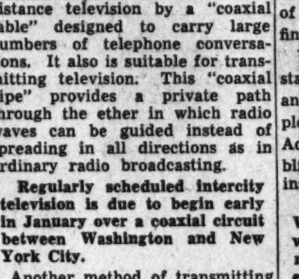
I'm Put Out



Yes, I'm put out Sunday night when the family listens to Fanny Brice as Baby Snooks. Am I that funny when *I* act up? Not according to them. But maybe you're just like they are, so I suppose you'll love listening to The Baby Snooks Show, Sunday night, at 6:30, Station WTOP, CBS.

STRATOVISION, i. e. airplane operation, is another method proposed. Antenna six miles up rebroadcasts from ground beam, covering about 103,000 square miles (large circle) while ground station radius is only about 50 miles (small circle)

CHART SHOWS HOW airplane antenna over key cities could blanket the country, each circle 422 miles in diameter

Work on War's Blind to Benefit Older Veterans

By Robert Geiger
Associated Press Staff Writer

Amazingly successful methods that promise to rehabilitate virtually all of the 1,375 blinded veterans of World War II are to be applied to 505 sightless veterans of the first World War still confined to Government institutions.

While the Army's blind center staffs are composed of physicians and other specialists, and of people with normal sight, the Veterans Administration plan is to retain blind instructors in nine special instruction centers.

They hope to make most of the World War I veterans self-reliant with the idea that many of them may later be able to leave veterans institutions.

They will be taught Braille; the use of Braille typewriters and watches; the use of talking books; perception of objects and sounds; recognition of people; how to get about without aid; personal hygiene; pencil writing and the use of hand tools and games.

Bed-Ridden GIs Use Portable Therapy Shop

Camp Carson, Colo. (INS).—Bedridden GIs at Camp Carson General Hospital are proving that it takes more than a cast or traction to stop Santa this year.

Soldier patients who cannot visit the General Hospital occupational therapy shops to make their Christmas gifts are serviced by portable shops, designed to tour the wards.

The shop on wheels carries to the soldier's bedside all necessary equipment except heavy machinery. Apprentice occupational therapy instructors assist the soldiers in making their gifts in case their disability makes use of certain tools difficult.

These Camp Carson Santas wear casts, sometimes from ankle to shoulder instead of the usual red suit. But the gifts they are making for Christmas giving range from key rings and wallets to costume jewelry and plastic novelties.

On Both Stage and Screen

Holiday Will Be Marked By Suitable Entertainment

By Nelson B. Bell

AT THE RISK of betraying a nostalgic antiquity, it might be recalled that in those periods of national tranquility when guns were not thundering around the world, Christmas week was looked upon as the worst theatrical week of the year.

By right of public testimony to its preoccupation with more sacred things, box-offices languished to a point of acute anemia where many of them found it the more feasible thing to close their shutters against the coming of the gayer observances attending the birth of the New Year.

Consciously or unconsciously, in what it is pleasant to refer to as "normal times," the world at the Yule was dominated by the spirit of a drama so sublime as to shame any simulated in grease paint behind the footlights.

Away from the country's metropolitan centers, to which the theater of living drama now is largely limited, that may still be true.

But these are not yet "normal times," and America's principal cities—the National Capital perhaps most of all—continue to be overcrowded with warworkers of one sort or another, to many of whom the legitimate stage offers a new and unaccustomed form of entertainment, to be embraced at any monetary or spiritual cost.

The Older Order Changeth

I doubt that local box-offices will note any appreciable lull this week any more than they did last year in the same period of Holy Festival.

Theater attendance, it seems safe to surmise, will be gauged by the character of the attraction, rather than an encompassing surrender to the true significance of Christmas Day.

For those not too oblivious to the brightness of the light cast by the Star of Bethlehem upon mankind, there will be two offerings of singular appropriateness among the new Christmas bills—one a stage play; the other a motion picture.

Both reflect something of the gentle spirit that was born in the manger.

Nothing, it seems to me, could be more suitable for Christmas week than a play bearing the title of "The Joyous Season."

It is the veteran Producer-Director Arthur Hopkins who has achieved this master stroke of timeliness. The play is from the sharp-pointed pen of Philip Barry, and its star is Ethel Barrymore, whose own luminous and warmly gracious endowments seem peculiarly fitted to the portrayal of a mother superior engaged in kindly works in Christmas week.

The story which will unfold itself Christmas Eve at the National, one is led to believe, concerns itself with the kindly counsel of a revered sister who returns to her ancestral home in Boston for the Yuletide, only to find her once happy and harmonious brothers and sisters enmeshed in disturbing ambitions, animosities and conflicts, from which she proceeds gently to extricate them.

Screen Follows Suit

Cut from the same cloth, in a manner of speaking, and addressing itself to engaging variations of much the same problems, will be Leo McCarey's "The Bells of St. Mary's," which will make itself known to Washington audiences for the first time on Christmas Day, on the screen at RKO-Keith's Theater.

In this sequel to the same producer-director's "Going My Way," a sister superior, in the person of Ingrid Bergman, does not save a troubled day, but has it saved for her by a kindly priest, impersonated with rare humanity and sympathetic understanding by Bing Crosby.

Both the play and the picture, one suspects, may be attended with a promise of spiritual "lift," rather than any twinge of conscience, whispering that neither has a rightful place in the Christmas observances of any devout believer.

Miss Barrymore does not come upon a play of churchly background as a new or novel experience in the long and illustrious span of her stellar career on the stage—"Embezzled Heaven" was such a one—nor is it surprising to find her "on the road" at Christmas time, when one of her eminence might understandably be expected to prefer the warm comforts and family attachments of her own hearth and tree, with her children gathered about her.

If the matter were ever broached to her, the reply probably would be, "I enjoy the road; I always have. I come by it naturally. Touring is a family tradition."

Born in the Blood

That tradition was built solidly into the annals of the American theater by her grandmother, her father, her distinguished uncle, the late John Drew, and other members of a long family line.

It is one of the greenroom's persistent legends that John Drew knew all of the room clerks in the country by name, and the numbers of his favorite hotel suites scattered across the land, so regularly did he make their rounds.

The temptation is strong to attribute a similarly wide acquaintanceship with the Nation's homes for the intinerant to Miss Barrymore.

In the four decades and more of her stardom she has played all the towns, large and small, that lie between the coasts and has seen many of them grow from villages into flourishing cities.

One must take at face value her statement that she loves it—along with the one in reply to an inquiry as to which of her uncounted roles was her favorite, "I have liked them all, ever since Charles Frohman first put my name in lights when I was playing in 1901 at the Empire Theater in "Captain Jinks of the Horse Marines."

The two are the infallible hallmarks of the great artiste, the "born trouper," and if Miss Ethel Barrymore is not one of these, then America has none.

Regardless of how fine it might be, were it true, Christmas week in Washington will not confine itself to theatrical fare of exclusively seasonable implications.

Since this is written well in advance of Friday morning's preview screening, the character of the glorified "Western" to be broken out on Christmas Day at the Earle Theater can be estimated only from the fact that it bears the title of "San Antonio" and has Errol Flynn and Alexis Smith as its costars.

In many quarters, and probably not mistakenly, that will be construed as a twofold recommendation.

TODAY'S RADIO PROGRAMS

Sunday, December 23 — **Washington** — **Eastern Standard Time**

	WMAL 630	WRC 980	WOL 1260	WINX 1340	WWDC 1450	WTOP 1500
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9	:00 News :15 Cloister Choir :30 Coast to Coast :45 On a Bus	World News Roundup Gardening Ranch Boys Waltzes of the World	Young People's Church Voice of Prophecy	News; Capital Church Comment Songs of Faith	Wildwood Church Voice of Hope News; J. B. C. Presents J. B. C. Presents	CBS Morning News D. C. Date Line Treasury Salute Labor News
10	:00 Bud Ward :15 :30 Lothrop Stoddard :45 News	Radio Pulpit (Dr. H. R. Anderson) Circle Arrow Show	Bible Class News; Melody Wesley Radio League	News; Smoke Rings Smoke Rings Crown Capers	Mike Hunnicutt Spotlight Revue	Church of the Air Salt Lake Tabernacle
11	:00 Remember When :15 :30 Hour of Faith :45	News; Isles in News Pleasure Parade Solitaire Time	Fourth Presbyterian	News; Holiness Pentecostal Holiness	News; Latin Moods Latin Moods News; Centennial Baptist Church	News; Choir Blue Jacket Choir Invitation to Learning
12	:00 This Week :15 Around the World :30 Sunday at the Zoo :45 Bing Crosby	News, Don Fischer Nancy Osgood Gold Clock Time Gene Archer	Pilgrim Hour Lutheran Hour	WINX News Little Show Melodic Souvenirs	Bing Crosby And Guest Alice Lane's Xmas Visit to	Noontime News Jay Carmody People's Platform
1	:00 John B. Kennedy :15 Orson Welles :30 Sunday Serenade :45 ; News	Dairy Farmer America United Chicago Round Table	News, Lou Brott Ilka Chase Sweetheart Time	News; Musical Treasures The Animal Fair	Children's Hospital News; Super Express Super Express	Transatlantic Call Lyman Bryson News; Ed Murrow
2	:00 Dorothy Claire :15 :30 Sunday Vespers :45	Harvest of Stars (Raymond Massey) Westinghouse Program	Swing High Operetta Scrapbook Bill Cunningham Symphonic Strings	News; Symphony Williams' Fantasy on a Theme of Tallis	Meet the Composer News; Hall of Hits Hall of Hits	Stradivari Orchestra Next Week ; Olin Downes
3	:00 Elmer Davis :15 Melodies to Rem'br :30 Johnny Thompson :45 and Eileen Woods	Schaeffer Parade (Cavallero) One Man's Family	Music Box Symphonetta	News; Memorable Music Halls of Congress		N. Y. Philharmonic
4	:00 Darts For Dough :15 :30 Mary Small Revue :45	National Hour RCA Show	Murder Is My Hobby The Nebbs	News;	Band Box Three Little Words Theater of the Air	; News Nelson Eddy
5	:00 Jones and I :15 :30 Charlotte :45 Greenwood	NBC Symphony	The Shadow Nick Carter	News; Sophisticated Rhythm	Battle of the Crooners Hazel and Harold News; Eddie Rogers Eddie Rogers' Orch.	Family Hour (Patrice Munsel) Gene Autry News, Shirer
6	:00 Hall of Fame :15 Paul Whiteman :30 Sunday Evening :45 Party	Catholic Hour The Great Gildersleeve	Quick As a Flash News, Cedric Foster Fulton Lewis, Jr.	WINX News Concert Hall Three Quarter Time	Gospel Tabernacle News; Sports Bible Question Box	Ozzie and Harriet Baby Snooks Show
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8	:00 Sunday Ev'ning Hour (Steinberg) :15 :30 :45	Charlie McCarthy Fred Allen Show	Mediation Board Concord Melodies Gabriel Heatter	News; Music Music of the Americas Congress on the Air	Fifth Baptist Church	The Beulah Show Crime Doctor ; News
9	:00 Walter Winchell :15 Louella Parsons :30 Elmer Davis :45 Jimmy Fiddler	Manhattan Merry Go Round American Album Of Music	Exploring the Unknown Double or Nothing	News; Symphony Hour Handel's "Messiah" (Beecham)	Old-Fashioned Revival Hour	Request Performance Star Theater
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